Russians call summit over threat of Olympic boycott

The Russians yesterday summoned their allies to discuss what to do if Western athletes boycott the Olympics. To leave Afghanistan would have disastrous ideological

Moscow Correspondent writes) but a boycott by leading Western countries would be a national humiliation. The British Cabinet favours moving the games from and strategic consequences (our Moscow if that is possible.

Fear of national humiliation

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, Jan 17
Party representatives from
the Sovier Union's nine economic allies in Comecon, the
Communist trading block, ended
a two-day meeting in Moscow
today to discuss the Olympics,
amid growing calls in the West
for a boycon of the games.

The meeting at the Soviet
Communist Party headquarters
was officially to discuss the
preparations for the games and
information work, But there
seems little doubt that the
Russians summoned their allies
to discuss what to do should
Western athletes fail to take
part in the Olympics.

western athletes fail to take part in the Olympics.
Although the transfer of the games from Moscow at this stage has been ruled out as virtually impossible, a wide-spread boycott by America and leading Western countries would be a national humiliation results felt by starts riving in

keenly felt by every citizen in the Soviet Union. The matter would be even more serious if Saudi Arabia's withdrawal was followed by that of other Muslim countries. It would rob the Olympics of any sporting significance, emas-

culate the competition and nullify all Soviet artempts to use the games as a chance to advertize and justify the communist way of life.

The blow to Sovier pride would embitter relations with the West for years to come, strengthen xenophobic nationalism and might make it doubtful whether the Russians would

take part in sporting events in the West for some years. Most Russians do not believe that anything can now stop the Olympics. But they are beginring to be worried. In the past two days. Tass has printed declarations from leading arhieres and Olympic commistees all over the world saving they still intend to come to

On Sunday the popular newspaper Soviet Sport had a long article reassuring its readers that the world's sportsmes will

be here in July.

Officially, the Russians have only learnt of doubts about the with almost military thorough-

switches task force

By Henry Stanbone Defence Correspondent

A Royal Navy task group of A Royal Navy task group of three frigates and two Royal Fleet Auxiliary supply ships which left Devouport on Monday for the Curibheau and North America, has been writched to the Mediterraneau at short notice, it was learnt lost night.

It is understood that the pre-ence of the ships in the Medi-terranean will increase the pos-sible options for the Govern-ment in the light of the present crisis in Afghanistan and Iran. While there are no plans to deploy the ships in the Indian (Icean, the force will be conveniently placed to implement thy policy which Lord Carring-Thatcher on his return from his tour of the troubled region. In addition, the assault ship Intrepid, which has junior officers under training from the Royal Naval College, Dartmonth, on board, has been diverted from the Atlantic to

the Mediterranean. The Intrepid, 12,120 tons, has eight landing craft and facilities for eight Wessex heli-

The frigate squadron, whose ships include Cleopaura. Amazon and Avenger, will arrive in Gibraltar this afternoon, and will then sail into the Mediterranean for exercises with the United States

Schmidt pledge to US India's differences played down US protest on expulsions IOC reject Thatcher move

Rebeis' trips across border games from a short paragraph in Pravda yesterday quoting Lord Killanin, the president of the International Olympic Com-

mittee, saying that only his committee could decide the But many people who listen

But many people who listen regularly to foreign radio stations know that it is the Afgitanistan affair which has cast a shadow over the games. The Russians will not suffer much financially from a boy-cott. Moscow is insured with the International Olympic Committee, which would have to pay out large sums if its members did not take part. Contracts with Western com-Contracts with Western com-panies could still be enforced, and television rights have mainly been paid.

In any case, almost three quarters of the colossal capital construction costs—some 230m roubles (about 5164m) according to the Soviet preamizing committee—are expenditures on new buildings, roads, sports complexes and tourist facilities which will remain after the games.

But many of the 200,000 foreign visitors expected for the games would not come if Western teams pulled cut. Their hard currency was to have covered the costs of equipment the Russians have imported

from the West A successful staging of the Olympic Games would allow the regime and the party to bask in national pride would quell many of the grumbles and complaints about shortages and limitations, measures already taken to quash dissent and remove undesirables far from the view of

visitors. Moscow has been preparing for

ness. Armies of builders have been mobilized cohorts of guides and interpreters are being trained, brigades of cleaners. pointers and decorators are working round the clock to transform this city of eight million people into a showplace

for the communist way of life.

A boycott would certainly lead to beated arguments within the Politburo, whose outcome might affect the post-Brezhnev leadership struggle. Depending on how widespread the boycott was, it could lead to a reassessment of relations

with America, Western Europe or the Muslim world. What is difficult to predict What is difficult to predict is whether it would get Soviet troops out of Afghanistan. It would seem unlikely. Mr Brezhnev himself admitted that the decision to go into Afghanistan was a hard one.

The Russians clearly saw some of the risks. But to go back now on the decision would have disastrous ideological and strategic consequences in

strategic consequences in Soviet eyes. And for the Russians no cost is too high to protect their ideology and their

security.
The Soviet leadership knows that Western countries cannot enforce a boycon, They know that athletes would stay away and public opinion accept the wrecking of the Olympics only if the political atmosphere remains as tense as it is now

or gets worse.
It is, therefore, in the Soviet interest to remain as cool as possible in the face of such threats, not to take countermeasures in reply to those appounded by President Carter. and to carry on with the pre-

Moscow may do its best to appear conciliatory and perstan need not be a barrier to all further political discussion. an rurner pointed discussion.
And with a few helpful
gestures, if all goes well,
official Western support for a
boycon will have faded away in Leading article, page 15

Royal Navy Cabinet in favour of change in venue

Ev Genrge Clark Political Correspondent Mrs Margaret Thatcher told the Commons that the Cabinet was in favour of moving the Olympic Games from Moscow to

some other place, if that were possible.

"No one can do it alone", the said. "We believe we should try to do it by concerted action with our allies and make an approach to the International Olympic Committee in whose hands the decision would lie".

Asked by Mr William Hamilton, Labour MP for Central Fife, whether she would refuse permission for the Duke of Edinburgh to go to Moscow if the venue could not be changed, she said she was not prepared to give undertakings at the moment. some other place, if that were

we take ", she said. " If we are not able to succeed in that view, other matters will arise and decisions will have to be taken at the time".

Mr Terence Higgins, Conservative MP for Worthing, who was a member of the 1948 and 1952 British Olympic athletics teems, said that a government appeal would have a damaging effect if it were rejected by effect if it were rejected by the sporting bodies concerned. He thought there should be full consultation before the Government took any definite line on the question of boycot-ting the games. The Govern-ment should take into account

the athletes.

Mrs Thatcher assured him that she had these things in mind. Athletes had been training to reach their peak. "That is why we think it would be right to try to move the venue away from Moscow," she said. "Equally, we just cannot stand back and see the Russians do what they have done in Afghanistan, deploring it and taking no action at all."

Last night it was confirmed Last night it was confirmed that the Cabinet is pressing other Western countries to come to a joint decision on providing finance so that the games can be staged in other venues. Montreal has been suggested as an alternative, but the Government believes the events could be divided up. It was made quite plain that

if it is not found possible to find alternative venues, the Government would not wish to be associated with Moscow. No minister would attend, and it seems fairly clear that the Duke of Edinburgh would be dis-couraged from attending. Insurance risk: Lloyd's under-writers will have to pay out \$40m (nearly £18m) to the National Broadcasting Corpora-tion of America if the Olympia Games are camcelled or transferred from Moscow. NBC insured against cancellation and consequent loss of television revenue through a single premium of \$2m just over two

Three die in Belfast train bomb attack

THE TIMES

By Christopher Thomas Belfast Three people died and at least two others were seriously injured in a rush-hour bomb attack on a packed commuter train on the outskirts of Belfast last night. Attempts to bomb two other trains in the province failed earlier yesterday. The attack on the Lisburn to

Belfast commuter train, at Dun-murry, was one of the most cal-

lous attacks against civilians. No warning was issued.

As the three-carriage train shuddered to a halt with the centre carriage ablaze, about 30 passengers leagt on to the tracks and climbed the bank to safety. Mr Rumphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, described the attack as inhuman.
It is rare for the Provisional

It is rare for the provisional IRA to place bombs without warning in places where large numbers of civilians are gathered, but the raid must raise grave fears,

Bombs were placed on two

trains on the Carrickfergus to Belfast line but bc.h were burled out of the windows by passengers and exploded harm-Rescue teams worked in

bitter cold to reach the dead and injured at Dunmurry. One man with serious burns was discovered wandering off by himself in a severe state of shock. A helicopter with a powerful searchight hovered

over the scene.
Three bombs destroyed a large store in Dungannon last night. In Belleek, to Fermanagh, a man planted a bomb outside the Carlton Hetel and should a warning before escaping. Ten minutes later the bomb exploded and the bottel was destroyed by fire.



curred just before midday. Un Beirut, a Palestinian commando group calling itself the May 15 Arab organization claimed responsibility for the bomb explosion, Reuters

A typewritten statement from the hitherto unknown group looking Oxford Street in the the hitherto unknown group West End. The first explosion delivered to Reuters office said was at 7.15 am as guests, many the blast killed or wounded a damage was also caused to the Zionist hotel".] Last night the police said the.

dead man was registered at the. Mount Royal on January 15 as Mohammed Sultani, a Bahraini student in his early twenties, who was due to check out

The police are not yet clear whether he died by his own hand as he was making up an explosive device or whether he

lend credence to speculation that he could have been making

a bomb at the time of the explosion and may have completed making another. Police have ruled out any connexion between the dead man and Mr Gerhard Buhme, a West German, who was seriously injured in the explosion. A businessman, he is thought to baye been in another room close to the one where the explosion

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Mrs Thatcher gives steel union leaders chance of meeting

serious injuries.

By Fred Emery Political Editor

Mrs Thatcher yesterday agreed to a request to meet the striking steel union letders, provided they meet departmental ministers first.

While there was great insist-ence in Whitehall that the move signified no change in the flow-signified no change in the Gov-ernment's policy of non-inter-vention in the negotiations, ministers freely agreed that the Cabinet believed, that they should do all they could to facilitate a successful outcome to the dispute.

One senior minister even ventured a new touch of optimism. It was observed that more money, which the Government insists is not being offered the present cash limit of £450m next year, was not the only possible element of

Without venturing into detail, the minister believed that other elements of the dispute could be amenable to what was called adjustment, or rearrangement in the meaning of the country of ment in the negotiations.

ment in the negotiations.

One source agreed that, if
the Prime Minister saw a
chance of serding the strike
quickly, she would take it.

The idea that in agreeing to
such a requested meeting the
Government was shifting its
policy was resisted elsewhere
in Whitehall.

Mrs Thatcher mid her back-

Mrs Thatcher told her back-benchers before Christmas that there would be no beer and sandwiches at No 10, and she

clearly means to resist at least the metaphor of government mediation in strikes, it was said that the Prime Minister could hardly have refused the union leaders' request to see ber.

More than four hours later as

police were searching the debris, there was a second ex-plosion but there were no

The explosions occurred at the Mount Royal Hotel, over-

However, it is clear from the terms of Mrs Thatcher's own letter that the union (caders' initiative prompted much more welcome from ministers than an actitude of rigid non-inter-vention would have warranted. "I know that they would like to see you , the said of Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, and Air James Frior, Secretary of State for

Employment, in commending them to a meeting as " soon as possible " with Mr William Sirs. general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation. and Mr Hector Smith, leader of unions, the National Union of Blast- Inde-

Mrs Thatcher thought it " use-ful " if the union leaders first saw the two ministers, but she said she was "very ready" to meet them, thereafter, if she did, the told them, she would then have to extend the same then have to extend the same courtesy to top management at the British Steel Corporation, namely Sir Charles Villiers, chairman, and Mr Robert Scholey, chief executive.

Some ministers and certainly leaders of the CBI, make little effort to conceal their dismay at what they see as the incompetence of BSC's top managers in handling the negotiations. Their initial blunder

tiations. Their initial blunder in enraging the unions with

what seemed a 2 per cent pay offer is seen by some ministers However Mrs Thatcher's point in mentioning the necessity of a meeting with the BSC managers was also, it seems, to

refute suggestions that she had at any time discussed the dispute with them. Our Parliamentary Correspon-tient writes: Sir Keith Joseph

gave no sign yesterday that the Government was in any mood to soften its tough non-interventionist stand over the steel Opening a debate on the steel industry be told the Commons

that he would meet Mr Sirs. But, he went on, "nor in any way for negotiation". That, he said, would be for BSC and the

Indeed, far from softening the Government's position, Sir Keith seems set on holstering any waverers on his own benches, as he rold one l'ory questioner that on top of the changes in trade union law al-ready included in the Employ-ment Bill, the Government might have to consider further changes,

The Commons later approved the Government's bandling of the strike by 313 votes to 259. a majority of 54. Whatever the rights or wroags of the steel strike, now in its third week, it was certainly Sir Keith's day in the Commons as he crushed Mr

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Birmingham bombers cannot sue police If the men were, allowed to

By Annabel Ferriman
Six men convicted of the Six mey convicted of the Birmingham public house bomb-ings in 1974 in which 21 people died were refused leave yester-day to sue the West Midlands police for beatings they allege they received while in police custody.

Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, ruled that the men could not bring a case because their allegations of assault had been explored thoroughly during their trial in 1975.

An eight-day trial within a trial had been held to establish whether the men's confessions had been obtained voluntarily and the judge had been satisfied that they were.

The allegations had then

had believed the police rather than the prisoners, and found the men guilty, so the issue could not be raised yet again. Lord Denning said: "This case shows what a civilized country we are. Here are six men who have been proved guilty of the most wicked murder of 21 innocent people. They were convicted of murder and sentenced to imprisonment for life. Yet the state continued to lavish large.

state continued to lavish large sums on them in their actions against the police. It is high time that it stopped.

"It is really an attempt to set aside the convictions by a side-wind. It is a standal that it should be allowed to continue."

proceed and lost, it would have been a considerable waste of time, money and worry and if they succeeded, it would mean that the police were guity of perjury, violence and threats, that the men's confessions were involuntary and their convictions erroneous, Lord Denning

The Home Secretary either would have to pardon them or remit their case to the Court of Appeal:

I Appeal:

Lord Denning, therefore, allowed the appeal by the West Midlands police against a refusal by Mr Justice Cantley in November, 1978, to strike out four actions being brought by the convicted men, and struck them out himself.

Lord Justice Goff, whose written judgment was read in

written judgment was read in his absence, and Sir George Baker also upbeld the appeal Leave to appeal to the House

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

At the conclusion of the hearing, Lord Devning said that he had just been informed that Lord Justice Goff had died shortly after his judgment had been read by Sir George Baker.

Fourteen prison officers who were tried in 1976 for assaulting the prisoners in Winson Green Prison were acquitted, but the prisoners are suing the

but the prisoners are suing the Home Office. The Home Office has admitted liability, but has not made any specific admis-

Law Report, page 10

President Tito refuses to undergo amputation

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, Jan 17

The probability that another operation may be unavoidable became greater today as the condition of President Tito's left leg was reported to have gradually deteriorated. Today's official medical report struck a property of the condition of the gloomier note than the carefully worded bulletins which have so far kept anguish and relief balanced.

Dalanced.

The doctors' anxiety is apparent as the report suggests that amputation may be necessary. However, President Tito has so far adamantly refused amputation, just as earlier he had refused the advice of Professor Michael Debakey, the American surgeon, to fiv to Houston for Parliamentary report, page 6 treatment.

Today's bulletin described the general state of the President's health as continuing to improve. But this was followed by the gloomiest report so far on the circulation problem in the left leg, which was said to have become progressively worse, having fulled to respond to surgery a week ago.

Yugoslay officials do not conceal that the situation of President's Tito's health con-tinues to cause anxiety, and the nation is being prepared for the WOTSL

The danger of gangrene is considerable but surgery would be that much more risky as the President is suffering from

EEC concern, page 7

Budget on day of Primate's enthronement

By Our Political Editor

Budget day is to be Tuesday. March 25, the day the new Archbishop of Canterbury is enthroned, it was autounced in the Commons yesterday. Indi rating that he would prefer to attend the enthronement, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Leader of the House, gave no reasons for the clash of dates. It was said later by ministers

that since the Government in-tended to have fewer budgets than its predecessor, it was easier for Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to announce the date well in advane, an interpreta-tion hardly calculated to impress the new Archbishop. EEC decision, page 17

Sports Council: Member threat-ened in Cape Town: Cricket: Isin Chappell declines to play for Aus-tralia: Foctball: Republic of Ire-land announce team to play

Stock markets: Light profit tak-ing lowered the FT 30 index 4.7 to 450.3. There were small falls in gilt edged as the market awaited

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Follett reports on the crisis in the

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Gold closes at record \$802 in New York

Gold continued to surge on the world's bullion markets yesterday, closing at \$802 an ounce in New York last night. At one point the metal touched the \$820 an ounce level. In London gold closed at \$760 an ounce—a record—after shipping back by \$25 an ounce at the morning fix from the previous night's level of \$755 Page 17

Mortgage gloom

TUTE

Mortgage interest rares are unlikely to fall this year even if there is a general decline in interest rares, the Building Societies' Association say in a report. The report on mortgage finance in the 1960s says the societies should meet furure demand for home loans if their furure demand for nome loans remain rates for investors and borrowers remain Page 17 competitive

Scarman warning on entry rules

Some women settled in the United King-dom would be less well placed in regard to their family life than others under the Government's proposed new immigra-tion rules, Lord Scarman told a Commons select committee. Certain provisions could offend articles of the European Convention on Euman Rights Page 4

Judges 'bewildered The recent decision by Lord Soames, the Governor of Southern Rhodesia, to commute the death semiences or 11 convicted African murderers is causing some consternation in legal and political circles. The country's judges, said Mr Justice MacDonald, were "bewildered" Page 8

EEC oil tax plan

The EEC is considering a proposal to tax oil imports into Europe as a means of increasing Community revenue and reduc-ing dependency on external oil Page 7

Underhill call to NEC on 'Militants'

Members of the Labour Party's National Executive Committee should make a conscientious attempt to inform constituencies of the activities of the "Militant" group, Lord Underhill said. The group's two leaders, Mr Peter Taffe and Mr Ted Grant in an intreview said. allegations that they sought to wreck the party were nonsense

Prisoner sues: A prisoner who was kept in solitary confinement for 180 days at Wakefield jail is to sue the Home

Chile: Mr Peter Shore, Shadow spokes-man on foreign affairs, leads protest against Britain's decision to exchange ambassadors Canada: Mr Trudeau kept out of spotlight as Liberals run safe campaigo in expecta-

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Lord Underhill urges Labour NEC Talk or we to inform constituencies of 'militant' group activities

Lord Underhill, former national agent for the Labour Party, who has been campaigning for the publication of his documents on the infiltration of the Trotskyist "Militant" group into the party, delivered a riposte yesterday to the state-ment issued on Wednesday by Mr Eric Heffer, chairman of Labour organization com-

The reply is striking in that Lord Underhill has sought for the first time to criticize mem-bers of the national executive committee which in a sense was his employer as a party official.

Lord Underhill states that the national executive committee should not only publish the documents, which he submitted in 1977 and which have not been seen by the whole of the NEC, but also that its members should make a conscientious attempt to inform constitu-encies of the "Militant" group's

"The party should publish literature setting out the clear difference between the polemics of the "Militant" organization nd the Labour Party philosophy of democratic socialism", he told The Times. "It would be helpful if members of the national executive sounded warnings and outlined these differences in their speeches."

In his reply to Mr Heffer, Lord Underhill states: In this question of the "Mili-tant" organization I have always me personally, and some were tant "organization I have always avoided becoming involved in public disagreements with any member of the national executive committee. However, in view of the tale of the national executive committee. However, in view of the tale of the national executive committee. Whether all the claims of the context of the 'Militant' controversy is to bring in a 'red of recent documents reinforces their authenticity.

The disclosures in The Times to troversy is to bring in a 'red of recent documents reinforces their authenticity.

Whether all the claims of any solid 'centre party' in the context of the 'Militant' cont

The two leading figures in the "Militant" group, whose activities are causing an in-creasingly acrimonious dispute

in the Labour Party, yesterday

allegations that they were secretly infiltrating supporters into the party and seeking to

Mr Peter Tasife, editor of the

Militant, described as the Marxist paper for labour and

youth, and Mr Ted Grant, its

political editor, agreed to be interviewed by The Times,

which has recently carried

information suggesting that the

group has 2,000 members intent

on penetrating and controlling

Mr Taaffe, who said he had

been a party member since 1960, denied that Militant sup-

of opinion within the party.

worship and theology has become a battlefield on which

Christian feminists are prepar-

Their ultimate aim is nothing less than the demasculiniza-

tion of "God-language" and the thinking behind it, so that the

most famous prayer would begin "Our Mother", "Our parent" or even just "Dear God".

has been dropped from the in-

dividual and group prayers of

the Christian feminist move-ment, a militaux tendency within the churches, which is increasing in strength and con-

In coordinating its campaign

for the ordination of women

in the Church of England, the movement's leaders decided not to press for the removal of

sexist language from official

paign, at least for some years, the language issue has again

come to the fore.

Dr Una Kroll. a Christian feminist leader, said: "There is a lot of strong feeling, particularly as the Christian

feminist movement is gerting many more young people. They are very sensitive to the ques-

The phrase "Our Father"

denied as " myth and nonsense"

It will just not do to shrug off It will just not do to suring off this matter as a media plot to discredit the Labour Party. I am sure any fair-minded person will agree that by and large the media has (sic) treated this matter with a degree of seriousness. With but few exceptions the media has avoided sensationalism and hysteric

"I would put the point that failure to act because of a desire for tolerance will play into the hands of our political opponents and will be misunderstood by sup-

nands of our political opponents and will be misunderstood by supporters and the electorate in general."

May I remind Mr Heffer that in the early 1960s it took some four years for myself and others to convince many sceptics, including members of the national executive, that the "Keep Left" organization which was then seeking to mke over the Labour Party Young Socialists was not just a group of harmless left-wing youngsters but was under the wing of the Socialist Labour League, a Trotskyist sect, which has now changed its name to the Workers' Revolutionary Party.

In fact, they did succeed in achieving a majority on the Young Socialists' national committee. When in the late summer of 1964 it all blew up on the eve of the important general election those members of the national executive realized, too late, that we were right and they were were replicated they were were realized that we were realized that we were were realized that we were were realized to the second of the control of the pational executive realized, too late, that we were control of the c

realized, too late, that we were right and they were wrong.
Mr Heffer states the various
"Militamt" documents arrived in
plain envelopes without any covering notes, I have never made any such statement The various documents came from disillusioned supporters of "Militant". Some had notes with names and had notes with names and addresses: others were handed to me personally, and some were given to other persons with the

Apart from these documents surely the many others who have disclosed information arising from their own independent and detailed inquiries have not all

detailed inquiries have not all been conned.

And, surely, Mr Heffer and the NEC will take heed of what is told by fellow Members of Parliament about what is happening in their constituencies. Many have spoken to me, as have agents, organizers and many constituency activists. Therefore, all this is not a figment of Underhill's imagination.

party is in danger of a complete takeover. I and others who share my concern are troubled about the funner of our party.

To bury our heads in the sand, or to believe that if the "Militant" or any anglety that if the party is the sand of the sand to believe that if the "Militant" organization is ignored it will just go away, will be a tragedy for our party. Our members and supporters deserve to be told about our concern so that ordinary decent Labour supporters can be alerted and act upon the information.

"I look forward to Eric Heffer, whose complete acceptance of

whose complete acceptance of democratic socialism I respect, and others, setting out in clear terms the difference between the aims of 'Militant' to build 'a revolutionary party' and the Labour Party's philosophy of democratic socialism

Labour Party's philosophy of democratic socialism.

"Let this matter be dealt with so that our constituency parties can be helped to deal with Misitant' entryism, and that our electoral position is not put in danger by failure to do anything and thereby giving these people a cloak of respectability.

"To raise the question of a possible 'centre party' in the

was "diluted Thatcherism", which had prepared the way for

in the industry had given "overwhelming" support for a strike in a ballot.
The union's claim is for 46 per cent although the officials last night were only insisting Secret infiltration of party denied on talks on the comparability element and would not com-ment on the possibility of a Speaking from the offices of the Labour Party was naturally Militant in the East End of swinging to the left as a result London, Mr Tsaffe and Mr of three right-wing Labour staged implementation of the £10. Mr Newall will today be writing to Mr Lea Murray, TUC of three right-wing Labour governments; the policy of the right wing of the Labour party

strike,

water men

By David Felton
Labour Reporter
Leaders of the four main
unions in the water industry.

will today demand an "imme-diate" assurance from the employers that talks on a £10 a

be held; otherwise a national

The national union officers

made it clear that if the strike

went ahead they would expect full support from other unions

in the industry. They included a request that supervisory staff

should not cooperate if troops were called in.

A strike by the 33,000 water workers, which would cause serious public health problems. could start within the next two

weeks if the National Water Council refuses the union de-

mand for "meaningful negotia-

tions" on the claim for com-parability with workers in the

gas and electricity industries. The employers have offered a

13.1 per cent increase and have

and they cannot afford any more. Last night Mr Ronald Keating of the National Union of Public Employees, said council members were "the fall

guys for the Government who have imposed cash limits".

Although the water workers in Scotland and Northern Ire-

land are covered by separate negoriations, Mr Edward

negotiations, Mr Edward Newall, of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, said the men would join the strike. Yesterday the Transport and General Workers' Union announced that its 4,000 members in the industry had given

comparability claim will

demand

strike will be called.

general secretary, to inform him of the union's decision. A 13 per cent pay deal cover-ing more than one million local authority manual workers was officially signed yesterday and Mr Charles Donner, national officer of the GMWU, said the satisfactory settlement help at negotiations today covering hospital ancillary

workers. cannot have any appeal to the mass of the working class." Bomb blast sent wall crashing on bed

Centinued from page to occurred and killed Mr Sultani, injured in the explosion Commander Peter Duffy, head of the Anti-Terrorist Squad at Scotland Yard, said last night that checks were being made with police forces abroad to find out more about the out more about the

Bahrami. He said no weapons had yet been found at the scene of the explosions, which were severe and caused probably by several pounds of explosives.

Mr Duffy said the second explosion was smaller and close to the area of the first. He said that no guests were anywhere near the area which had been completely sealed when the

blast occurred.

The damaged area of the hotel's fifth floor overlooks a courtyard in the centre of the hotel. The first blast was sufficient to knock down the walls between four or five of the rooms leaving a mass of rubble which will take several days for the police to

thoroughly search.

Damage has also been done to the sixth and fourth floors and water from burst pipes has run down into lower floors. As guests, many of them still in pyjamas and swathed in pink hotel blankets, waited to be

Mrs Daphne Masarakis, aged 50, a Greek tourist, was asleep in a room a few doors from the blast which is thought to have been in rooms 554 and 555. She awoke "to find bits of the wall falling on my bed. I rushed

Mr John Foy, a computer worker from Manchester, was in another room in the corridor children. He was woken by the blast and saw the locked door to an adjoining room fall in. Grabbing his children, aged 3, 5 and 6, he and his wife rushed from the room and got down to the foyer as firemen arrived. When the second blast came the police had begun to loosen the cordon around the area which included closing part of Oxford Street. As the sound of the explosion carried, guests

there's another one".

Throughout the afternoon forensic experts checked the scene as the guests were interviewed in a specially set up room in the Cumberland Hotel.

Still hope for the world institutions

argues in The Times Higher Education Supplement today that it is much too soon to give up hope of building world institutions like the UN. Also Göran Therborn contrasts two giants of sociology who died recently, Talcott Parsons and Herbert Marcuse, and John Gardner discusses Deng Xiaopirg's efforts to modernize China's universities.

STEEL STRIKE

BSC wants to cut 11,337 South Wales jobs or close a steelworks

Industrial Editor

Plans for dispersing with more than 11,000 jobs at two f its main production centres in South Wales were unveiled by the British Steel Corporation (BSC) yesterday.

The strike-bound corporation has set a 10-week deadline to reach agreement with the steel

unions. Failure to secure agreement to the drastic demanning would threaten one of the works, at Port Talbot or Llanwern, with closure.

The decision, which will involve the continued operation of both plants, was taken after discussions by the BSC board of the both plants of the both plants.

other alternatives; those in-cluded the complete closure of one of the two, or the shut-down of steelmaking at one and he retention of steel processing facilities at the other.
Details of the "slimline" option have been formally communicated to steel industry

to take part in consultations.

Their response will be critical. The TUC General Council is scheduled to discuss the strike and BSC's closure plans next week, after a meeting last week of the TUC nationalized industries committee, which gave a warning of serious industrial consequences if the corporation did not suspend its plant closure programme and have talks with all the unions

unions, who have been invited

involved.
The Welsh TUC has plans for a one-day strike later this month against the BSC cutback programme, which will have an impact on the coal

mining industry and other seel-using industries. Union leaders emphasized last week that they wanted to start talks at the earliest pos-sible moment to secure the maintenance of steelmaking at the two centres. The BSC plan would meet the requirement, but at a cost of 11,337 jobs a present combined labour force of nearly 22,000.

Announcing the decision to go for the "slimline option"

the three) Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of BSC, emphasized that agreement by March 31 was essential if the streamlined works were to begin operations effectively next August. The new manpower levels, in line with the corporation's overall objectives of reducing manning in all plants to internationally competitive levels, would be based on the plants producing a total of 2.8 million tonnes of steel a year between them against the present combined capacity of about five million

"The commercial basis on which these discussions will take place will, of necessity, have to be reviewed after the strike", Sir Charles said. "The slimline operation would offer South Wales the opportunity to improve practices and performance and the necessities of the same takes." ance, and the possibility of high tonuage in the future.

"However, if practices and performance did not justify this combined operation, then the BSC would inevitably be faced with the necessity of a total works closure." The plan involves a loss of

6,883 jobs at Port Talbot and 4,454 at Llanwern. A total closure of either of the works would mean more than 14,000 jobs being lost. Sir Charles said that the "slimine option" would pro-duce the least interference with

supply routes, customer choice and technology.

It would provide the technical capability at both works to meet market needs and would enable use to be made of new produc-tion facilities at Port Talbot and provide for rapid expansion

when and if market factors permitted. permitted.

The decision means that the two plants will be operating at only 40 per cent of capacity.

Mr Robert Scholey, BSC's chief executive, said that if agreement could be reached with the unions, the levels of sendue. unions, the levels of produc-tivity would rise to around 231 tonnes a man annually, com-pared with the present BSC

with lower overail costs.

Labour costs across the corporation account for about 28 per cent of total costs and at the two Welsh plants implementation of the proposals would reduce that element to 15 per cent

Union warning: Union leaders in Wales last night accused the British Steel Corporation of arrogance and intimidation over making in the principality and promised a long and uncompromising campaign against the proposals (Tim Jones writes from Cardiff).

The announcement shocked industry and raised the spectre of more than 40,000 redundan-

The National Coal Board said the plan would reduce the market for South Wales coking goal by about 1,600,000 tonnes a year, equivalent to the output of 10 mines employing 7,000 men and 500 staff. Those figures could be doubled if the the corporation decided . entirely on imported coking coal.

Mr Peter Allen, director of the Welsh division of BSC, con-firmed that the corporation was considering signing now con-tracts for foreign coal.

"The two works, Llanwern and Port Tabot, cannot live in this world of international competition buying their coal between £6 and £13 a fonne above current market international prices" he said.

Mr Donald Hayward, a senior efficial of the National Union of Mineworkers, said the decision made it virtually certain that unions in South Wales would go ahead with plans for an all-out strike from March 10.

Mr Brian Connolly, divisional

organizer of the Iron and Steel
Trades Confederation, said:
"They will not intimidate us.
Mr George Wright, general
secretary of the Wales TUC,
said that for BSC to demand an
agreement by March 31 on such: a highly sensitive issue totally inhuman

Invitation to meet welcomed by Mr Sirs

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor Leaders of the two unions at Leaders of the two countries the heart of the state steel strike agreed last night to an meeting with Sir Keith early meeting with Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary for Industry, and Mr James Prior, Secretary for Employment, to talk about

pay and the future of British Steel. Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the dominant Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said after receiving the Prime Minister's letter: "I welcome the invitation by the Government, even at this late stage, and I am sure that we will be able to impress both ministers that our members are not taking industrial action for

nothing.

"These are not negotiations. It is only the opportunity to state our case". Mr Sirs said. But the union leaders feel But the union leaders real they have made a critical breakthrough in getting the Cabinet to climb down from its previous "non-intervencion" position by arranging top level ralks between ministers and seaders of 120,000 striking steel workers.

Sir Keith's Joseph's office was in touch with the confederation last night to arrange a date for the talks, which will also involve Mr Hector Smith, general secretary of the National Union of Blastfurnacemen.

Ministers are ready for a meeting at any time from this morning but Monday is regarded as the earliest posible opportunity by the union

Meanwhile the steel unions are intensifying their picketing and have taken counsel's opinion on the possibility of legal action against the British Steel Corporation for alleged breach of the 1967 Nationalization Act over "non-consulta-tion" on the partial closure of Port Talbot and Llanwern steel works announced by the Corporation yesterday. Initial legal advice is that a case could be successful.

This element in the widening dispute between the trade Steel is also being studied by the TUC, whose general secre-tary, Mr Len Murray, was in touch with the confederation

last night.

The TUC general council next Wednesday will consider a recommendation from its steel and nationalized industries committees to mount "the most serious industrial conse-quences" if British Steel refuses to negotiate with the unions an acceptable solution to the industry's trading to the difficulties.

Fresh instructions have gone to the confederation's divisions calling on them to extend picketing to prevent the move-ment of steel regardless of whether it originated in British Steel, the private sector or

The circular from Mr Sirs says: "The reason for extend-ing the action to prevent the movement of all steel is to

bring about a speedy conclusion to the dispute." He adds as a warmun to manu-pickets stationed outside manufacturing industry plants:

is not the intention to picket steel consumers, only sources of supply." Copies of the instructions have been sent out to other unions, including the transport

workers and railwaymen.
A crack in the private employers' support for British
Steel showed in a telegram ro the steel union from the East Anglian division of the Engincering Industries Association. It said that manufacturing indus-try in its area was gravely concerned that raw materials could last for only seven to fourteen days more and appealed to all concerned to reach a realistic

CBI head speaks of threat to jobs of thousands

By Our Industrial Editor. The jobs of thousands of workers outside the steel industry were being threatened and lost by the three-week-old strike, Sir John Methyen, director-general of the Confederation of British Industry, said yesterday, What kind of "social justice"

was that, he asked.

If it was the policy of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation to inflict grievous bodily barm on the country, why did the union not say so, he told the American Chamber of Commerce in London The CBI leader launched a

was completely unacceptable elsewhere?

the Government's Bill to limit picketing to strikers' own place of work. "Mr Sirs said the other day

and demonstrated the need for

that the ISTS could not lose this strike. Well, let me assure him in the plainest terms that every single one of us in this country will lose by this strike. Jobs far beyond those of his own union members will be threatened and lost", Sir John

said. He asked steel workers did they believe there would be as many jobs in the industry after a long strike, did they want yet of the "unreasonable" and of manufactured products, and occassionally "violent picketing" of last winter. Such action world to take their business

Tinned foods 'blacked'

From David Nicholson-Lord The steel strike widened into

the retail sector yesterday when supplies of tinned foods to a lesco warehouse in the Midlands were unofficially declared "black" by members of the shopworkers' union.

Eighty warehouse staff at Crick, Northamptonshire, said they would refuse to unload supplies of tinned tomatoes and other brand name Tesco food-stuffs delivered by Loades for Loads, a Norfolk haulier, some of whose drivers had allegedly been taking steel across picket lines at King's Lynn docks

Mr Terence Savage, Northants res organizer for the Union of Shop, Distributing and Allied Workers, said he had asked for a written request for blacking

Confederation, which would be forwarded to Usdaw headquarters with a view to making it official. He said: "This will be the

first test of our official union policy". The request for black-ing was initiated by the Corby strike committee of the ISTC, which alleged that some drivers employed by Loades had crossed nicket lines. Arthur Osman writes: As pickets tightened their block-

ade of private sector steel com-panies, particularly, those en-gaged in rerolling, in the west Midlands yesterday, 200 mem-bers of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation on production work at the Brockhouse Group, West Bromwich, were laid off.

Union ban 'affecting' vital exports The International Steel Trade ssociation yesterday proteste

to Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, that union bans on steel movements were "seriously compromising any chance of a healthy steel industry in the future". The association said that steel

exports, as well as imports were being affected; it could see no justification in preventing material already rolled by manufacturers from being allowed to go forward to the docks for export. "This can in no way weaken the position of the union while at the same time would pre-serve vital export markets which will otherwise be lost."

The association association, Kingdom, with steel manufacturers, merchants and stock holders among its members, also urged that goods already in stock should be allowed to be delivered.

"These were no part of the dispute and to move them can hardly be regarded as strike breaking as most of these contracts were finalized months before any question of a dispute arose."

The association's warning that steel exports, which total around four million tonnes a year, are being affected, follows the successful blockade of east coast ports.
Eight lorry loads of steel were however, driven on of Boston dock yesterday, while all the pickets except one took

a teabreak

Weather forecast and recordings

Mrs Thatcher's offer to union leaders

John Silkin, opposition industry spokesman, with well chosen quotes from Labour's past. Mr Silkin, indeed, seemed somewhat out of his depth, as be wandered rather simlessly through the steel jungle, bol-stered continually by helpful

prompting from steel constituency MPs.
From the Labour front bench, Mr Silkin struggled, in an uncharacteristically muddled speech, to claim that the dis-

But, as the debate developed, it soon became clear that not all Tory MPs were solidly behind Sir Keith in his policy of refus-ing to intervene in the strike.

He was not advocating a climb-down by the Government, but a slow-down, perhaps on the redundancies that were being required. Another Tory MP. Mr Kenneth Lewis, (Rut-land and Stamford), said it was

With Mr Callaghan and Mrs Thatcher on their respective front benches. Sir Keith told the House that it was neither kind nor sensible to buy peace with the rax-payers' money.

Parliamentary report, page 6

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PUBLIC AUCTION AT AIRFREIGHT WAREHOUSE **NEAR LDN HEATHROW AIRPORT**

tion mar the Mass should not be offered by the priest "for you and for all men", and that Crist's death was not to be described, in the Creed, as be-ing "for us men for our salva-tion".

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But they said the group bad no branches or members, only supporters who received no central direction about their activities in the country. Mr Taeffe said: "We proudly proclaim the fact that our ideas and arguments have had an effect on the more advanced

and influence in more con-

Mr Grant, a Labour Party Times suggests, much more. member since 1954, who agreed that he had been the chief inspirer of Militant, said: "What influence should extend in every ward general management committee and every trade union branch in the right wing (of the party) and the press did not mind us when we were in a minority." Marxism will gain a majority in the Labour Party and the trade unions in the next 10

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent
The language in which God
amount of work is being done
is addressed and spoken of in
worship and theology has churches."

Father

that could only increase resistance to women priests.

What are described as "scholarly indepth studies" of the use of discriminatory language in Roman Catholic

with Militant's socialist views and it was becoming increas-ingly influencial in the trade union movement, particularly in branches in large industrial

Grant said there might be one or two Labour MPs who agreed

membership of the Labour Party and on MPs". They claimed Militant sold 20,000 copies a week and the group had more supporters than The Times suggested it had members. Mr Taaffe saids "We do not claim to control any constituency Labour parties,

our ideas have support stituency parties than The

porters represented a "party within a party" or that there had been "entryism" into the party from outside. "Militant Tendency" represented a rend "The idea of a small group conspirators, parachuted into the constituencies like a plague of locusts to mould Labour supporters and capture the party is a myth. Militant has every right to organize. We have been working in the Labour Party for decades. The

Mr Taaffe and Mr Grant said

Bogy words include "man"

meaning the human race. Phrases such as "the brother-

hood of man" and thought to be particularly dismissive of the

This issue may have been successfully avoided by the Church of England, but it has,

comewhat surprisingly, been taken seriously by the Roman Catholic Church.

shown any enthusiasm for changing the official designa-tion of the first person of the Blessed Trinity, as God "the

But so far neither church has

The Roman Catholic Inter-

national Commission on English

in the Liturgy, a high-powered, Vatican-approved body based in Washington, has been studying the sexist language for some

have been commissioned. As a result the commission almost issued a recommendation that the Mass should not

the worst government in Britain for 100 years. Mr Grant said the Militant's intentions were nothing to do with plots or conspiracies. That was growing in strength because the policies of the right wing of the party were bankrupt. "Reformism without reforms

> The group stood for the socialist transformation of Britain by democratic means. Mr Grant, outlining Militant's political beliefs, said it believed the Labour movement and trade unions were strong enough to gain a majority in Parliament that could carry through an enabling Act to bring about

that transformation.

The programme would involve a 35-hour week without loss of pay, a minimum wage of £70 to £80 a week and a massive programme of public

expenditure.

Mr Taffe, speaking about the financing of Militant, said there was not one penny which was not raised from active workers and supporters. "None is and supporters. "None is raised from sinister sources, foreign or otherwise", he said. Last year it had raised £80,000 in that way, from its supporters and from trade unions and

An unusmed Roman Catholic

mission, argued against that on the grounds that "publicity

Instead of that recommenda-

tion, therefore, the commission

proposes merely to draw to the attention of Roman Catholic English-speaking bishops that some optional variations are

already permitted, and it is up

to them to introduce non-sexist

official international episcopal

Roman Catholic activity, the British Council of Churches is

preparing a document, bound to be controversial, on human

One of the background papers to be incorporated into

papers to be incorporated into the final document is by Dr Kroll, arguing that the sexism of the liturgy is one of the cornerstones of patriarchal Christianity; if women are capable of being Christians, they should not be excluded from its language or from its beliefs.

As a ironic link between the

As an ironic link between the two, English liberal non-Catholic Christian feminism appears to have stumbled on the Virgin Mary, even the "obscurantist" ultra-Catholic cult of mariology, not grant archading the once

not even excluding the once fashionable idea of Mary as "mediatrix" that even conser-vative Roman Catholicism found

At the far extreme from

trade union branches. Christian feminists drop 'Our Father'

would be centred on this, and that attention would prejudice the larger question.".

hotel blankets, waited to be questioned by detectives and allowed back to their rooms they described their experi-

ences in the wake of the bomb to the door and as I got there two of the walls fell in behind

crossing the road to go back to their rooms called to each other in a variety of foreign tongues "There's another one,

Professor John Holmes, a former Canadian diplomat,

Continued from page 1

pute was between the Government and the unions. The strike arose from Sir Keith's decision that there would be no fresh support for the steel industry and that it must start handly and that it March 1980.

Mr David Crouch, Conservative MP for Canterbury, urged government intervention before there was even greater disturbance in the economy.

land and Stamford), said it was useless for the Government to say they had no responsibility in this matter. You tould not have a minister one day saying he was going to increase the price of gas, while the next day a minister was saying that an industrial strike was nothing to do with him.

With Me Callaghen and Mrs.

Today

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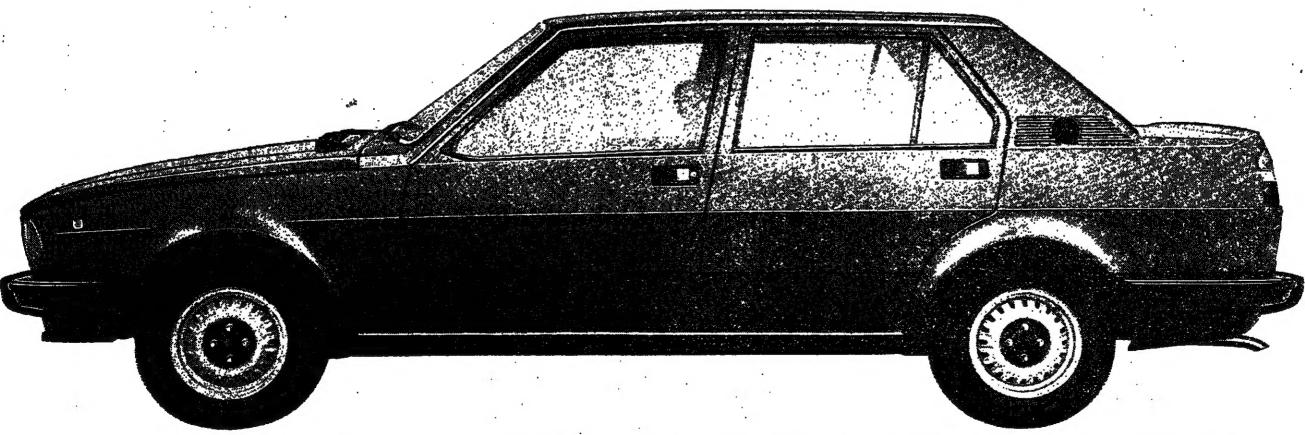
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New immigration rules Breakaway breach Convention, Lord Scarman says

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent

Certain of the Government's proposed new immigration rules could be said to offend articles of the European Convention on Human Rights, Lord Scarman told members of the Home Affairs Select Committee of the House of Commons yesterday. One might accept as legicimate, he said, that the purpose of the policy was to restrict primary immigration. But the individual effect of that policy if carried out would be that some women settled in the United Kingdom would be less well placed in regard to their family life than others.

That was discrimination and

could be said prima facie to offend Aritcle 14. That article, he said, stated there was to be no discrimination on a whole number of grounds, such as sex, race, colour or religion.

Lord Scarman was giving evidence to the select committee's subcommittee on race relations and immigration. He told MPs he would have thought that the risk that would be run by the Government when te rules came into force was that the ends did

that policy? The answer that the court would be likely to give, to my mind, would be: 'No, it is not'."

Government's proposed restric-tions to be imposed if parties to the marriage had not met. Why it should be thought that provision added anything to the policy of controlling primary immigration he did not know. "It seems to me to be an attack on the babits and social customs of people who have customs of people who have come to this country and are living in accord with the customs in which they were brought up."

He described proposals about au pair girls as "a nesty little

Mr Anthony Lester, QC, told the subcommittee that the official estimate was that the effect of the Government's proposals would be to reduce recent levels of immigration by about 3,000 or 4,000 a year. In his evidence he told MPs:
"The Government's proposals will, however, strike at those fundamental principles of our constitution which are sup-

tional representation and the introduction of a Bill of Rights. In essence, however, nothing was said yesterday that marked nnt justify those means and constitution which are supnnt justify those means and those means discriminated against certain women settled in the United Kingdom.

When one saw the nature of the prohibition imposed on certain the prohibition imposed to their settled and freedoms guaranteed by it out as significantly different from the other Unionist groups

tain women in regard to their the Convention, then one husbands and their fiances it further effect of these promas very difficult to explain that, save in the terms of the policy to control primary immigration.

"Then one says, is it neces-

iding Ulster.

In a reference to the possibility of an independent Ulster, Mr Kilfedder said: "We must be prepared in case Ulster is ever betrayed by the English politicians and forced out of the United Kingdom. Then, and only in that eventuality, we must he able, confidentaly erone community, to stand alone." He was critical of the Official Unionists for boycotting the constitutional conference, which had allowed the Rev Jan Paisley to speak as though he repre-sented all Unionists.

his policy are familiar enough: maintenance of the Union;

government and parliament

It also stands for propor

on the fundamental issues div-

iding Ulster.

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forms new

The party would fight to create an Ulster identity, so that people would regard themselves as Ulster people rather than as Protestants or Catholics. He was against religious segregation in schools and teacher training colleges. "Let people hang on to their religious, culputal and political differences." tural and political differences so long as the intention is to see who can contribute most to the good of the community and its standing in the world."

Divis flats move: The Govern-Divis flats move: The Government yesrerday amounced a £7.5m plan to improve the Divis flats complex in Belfast and demolish two of the blocks. One of the most depressed housing complexes in the United Kingdom, the development has a record of violence and vandalism that is probably. and vandalism that is probably unique.

The Government's plans en-visage construction of terrace houses in the Lower Falls area, but it is likely to be some years before the first Divis residents

Bath launches £33,000 appeal

The historic Pump Room at Bath is threatened by collapse. The city's spe committee is appealing for £33,000. The stability of the building cannot be guaranteed beyond 18 months.

The columns of the south wall of the Pump Room rest on gravel, which is gradually be-ing washed away. That was dis-covered during recent excavations beneath the King's Bath. November, 1979.

Civil defence-3: Britain is lagging badly behind most of the rest of Western Europe

Russia believes evacuation is still the best protection

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent
The Russians stepped up building civil defence shelters in the 1970s; but as long ago as the 1950s all plans for new buildings needed the approval of local air defence authorities, and all industrial or large buildings were required to be equipped with shelters.

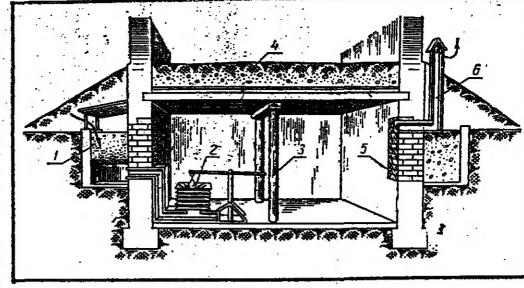
The new drive began after the appointment in 1972 of General A. T. Altunin as Russia's chief of civil defence. According to Mr John F. Wallace, former director of plans and analysis for emergency planning Deep divisions among North-ern Ireland's "loyalist" lead-ers were sharply emphasized yesterday with the launching of a new Unionist party under the leadership of Mr James Kilfedder, Independent MP for

Mr Kilfedder, who resigned from the Official Unionists about a year ago in an acrimon-ious atmosphere resulting from long-standing differences with the party leadership, launched a strong attack on his former colleagues. He also had harsh analysis for emergency planning in Canada, General Altunin's aim is to provide a shelter for every person, though the gen-eral believes evacuation is still the best protection in the event words for the Democratic Unionists.

General Alcunin said in the October 1976 issue of Voyen-nype Znaniya, a monthly publi-cation of the Soviet civil de-fence, that, regardless of in-His Ulster Progressive Party has started without proper premises and only a tiny membership, but has ambitious plans for fighting the local elections. The cornerstones of his policy are familiar enough: creasing concern in the West over the Soviet commitment to civil defence, Russia's pro-gramme would continue to exstronger measures against the IRA; restoration of a devolved

One of General Altunin's first tasks was to introduce a pro-gramme for evacuating a "sig-nificant proportion" of towns-people on foot in organized columns, using previously planned schedules and routes.

Shelter plans are contained in the massive detailed (337 pages in translation) Russian manual Civil Defence and were analysed in the Canadian Emergency Planning Digest (Jan/Feb 1978) by Professor Leon Gouré, director of Soviet studies at the Center for Advanced Inter-national Studies at Miami Uni-



A Russian nuclear shelter in a cellar: 1, sand filter; 2, bellows for air intake; 3, ceiling support ; 4, roof fill ; 5, window seal ; 6, exhaust box.

He said the scheme includes into 10 districts, each with cription in Emergency Planning building extra-hard, multi-about 140 local organizations. Digest (October / December storey underground bunkers for They are linked with the Fed-1978) of measures elsewhere in government and military com-mand posts and to protect the elire; multi-storey basements or large detached shelters for "production facilities" for defence-related industries and

for party, government and mili-tary headquarters; basement and detached shelters to pro-tect workers in industry, public buildings, schools, and institutes and blast shelters in cities and various types of simple fallow various types of simple fall-out shelters in the country, Czechoslovakia, for civil defence purposes, is divided

eration for Cooperation with the Army. Education and billet-

ing plans are supposed to have been prepared. In Yugoslavia, the law stipulates that each commune must organize its own civil defence on the principles of self-help.
Shelters are provided in new
buildings by adapting basements. New shelters are being
constructed. Evacuation ning is the responsibility of commune assemblies.

Britain's lack of preparedness contrasts with Mr Wallace's des-

western Europe.

In Sweden, all citizens are liable for civil defence duties. Evacuation plans are backed with large public shelters and other shelters for housing estates, offices and industries. More than 50,000 private shelters for five million people are being increased by 250,000 shel-

In Switzerland, all citizens are obliged to serve either in civil defence or in the military. The mandatory civil defence strength is 420,000, including

tary training..

The aim of the civil defence programme there is to have a shelter for every citizen and dear political measurements

there are enough for more than 75 per cent of the population. Norway also has a shelter policy. Mr J. Nordhaug, Dir-ector General of Civil Defence and Emergency Planning said in 1978 when he was also chair-man of the Nato Defence Committee, that Norway

In France, Savoir pour Vivre, published by the Nationale de la Protection Civile, and reprinted in Britain in The Journal of the Institute of Civil Defence, gives advice on shelter building and says details of prefabricated ones made by industry can be obtained on

In Finland, at time or threat of war, every citizen aged between 16 and 65 is abliged to take part in civil defence. In peacetime, all municipal and state officials and civil servants have to undergo training.

Herr Peter Menke-Glückert, Germany's former representa-tive in Nato's senior emergency planning committee, said last April that at least 30 per cent of Germans should be provided with shelter, a target which could be met only by compul-sory construction over 10 years. All civil defence experts on both sides of the Iron Curtain share the view that adequate preparation would save millions of lives in the event of nuclear war; but Britain lags badiy behind most of the rest of western Europe.

Nest: No evacuation plans.

'Larger study needed on black scholars'

girls.

The Commission for Racial The Commission for Racial Equality's aid yesterday that newly published research showing that West Indian children do better lat school in letter years than their English classmates should not be projected as the recipied scale as the on a national scale, as the sample used was small.

Mr Ivor Cooke, the commission's information officer. said: "We welcome this research because previously it has been assumed that black childschool, and this shows that to

But the research, by Dr Geoffrey Driver, a research fellow at . Leeds University, was based on a very small sample, Mr Cooke said. It did not take sufficient account of factors such as tea-chers' experience, school cur-riculum, school ethos, the ethnic composition of the local community and whether it was

rural or urban.
The commission, which sponsored the study, published in this week's New Society, was going to publish the research as an important piece of work.

"Rut it is not a complete piece." work and cannot be projected nationally. A larger study needs to be done," Mr Cooke

16-plus of 2,300 pupils between 1975 and 1978 at five secondary schools: two in the north of England, two in the Midlands, and one in the Home Counties. He says that it dispels the accepted notion that West Indian children do not do as well at school as they could, and comes up with a new pecking order of achievement: West Indian girls, then English boys, West Indian boys and English

His conclusions were welcomed by teachers' associations yesterday. The 260,000-member National Union of Teachers said have concentrated on the later years at school. "We welcome it because it also helps to correct myths about group performance and stereotypes", Miss Toni Griffiths said.

The same view came from the 90,000-member Assistant Masters and Mistresses Associarion. Mr Peter Smith, assistant secretary, said: "The research does not surprise me. West Indian parents are only too well aware of the importance of their children succeeding

The public had tended to seize on the myth that West Indian children did not do well, he said. "Anything that makes Dr Driver's study was based people see the real situation on the examination results at is always welcome."

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Leaders in clash over pension rise

By Our Social Services Correspondent

The disclosure that the latest earnings figures were higher than assumed when the Govern-ment fixed the last rise in pensions caused angry ex-changes between Mr Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, and the Prime Minister during question time in the Commons vesterdav.

Mr Callaghan asked whether Mrs Thatcher would now raise pensions, but Mrs Thatcher res-ponded that pensions had, in fact, risen by more than just the increase in prices.

Mr Callaghan accused the Prime Minister of either mis-understanding, or giving a "damn bad answer". The Noventher pension increase had been based on 17.5 per cent for earnings increases, plus the 2 per cent shortfall from the previous year which Mrs Thatcher had promised during the election campaign to make

Mrs Thatcher: "I am glad sions go up by 19.5 per cent this year. Against this, during the time the Labour Party was in power, it left out the three or four months' rapid increase in the cost of living from that celculation.

When the pensions increase was announced shortly after the Conservatives teook office, Mr Paetrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, said it was based on the expectation that both prices and earnings would rise by 17.5 per cent between November, 1978, and

'Green giant' a bad example, Lord Duncan-Sandys says

By Frances Gibb

The "green giant", the 500 ft
high tower block planned for
the South Bank of the Thames
in London, would be the thin
end of the wedge, leading to a

forest of giants", Lord
Duncan-Sandys, President of the Civil Trust, said ytsterday.
"If we do not call a halt to this proposal now it will set an

example for future develop-ments of this kind and it will be impossible to restrict end-less buildings of this nature",

"Here we have a building of monstrous proportions, 500 ft high and a terrifying 260 ft wide, in the wrong place, which will not only do very great damage to views along the Thames but will set an example for future developments."

Lord Duncan-Sandys, who was MP for Lambeth for nearly forty years, was addressing a meeting at Westminster Hall chaired by Mr Stuart Holland, Labour MP for Vauxhall, Lambeth, on the proposal by Euro-pean Ferries, the property and shipping group, for the tower block of flats and offices oppo-

building, which he considered "rather fine", but its position. He had been responsible for

briniging in the Civic Amenities Act in the late 1960s, which introduced the idea of preserving areas as well as individual buildings.

The building, "fantastically larger than anything else around it", should be con-sidered in context, he said. Planned at a cost of £40m, it is the subject of a public inquiry at Lambeth town hall, It would have some 370,000

square feet of offices and 100,000 sq ft of flats. It has earned the nickname "green because it is to be made of rinted glass. Groups opposing it at the meeting included Heritage in

Danger, The Turner Society, the River Thames Society, the Westminster Society and the Friends of Chelsea. Other opponents include Sir ohn Betjeman, Mr Richard John Betjeman, Mr Richard Pulford deputy secretary general of the Arts Council, the Royal Society of Arts, the Royal Fine-Arts Commission and Pro-fessor Peter Lasko, director of

He was not against the to oppose the scheme. Mr Hol. the council says. It reads architectural design of the land put down a question yester. destroy views from other parts building, which be considered day to Mr Norman St John. of Londan and be visible from the Company. Stevas, Leader of the Comonins, urging members to consider

putting evidence to the public inquiry as "this monstrosity will be visible from the Houses of Parliament".

Mr Holland called the proposal a specularive office deveopment without adequate social or economic justification. "Either the office space will be let, in which case it will

draw office use from other areas at a time when there is going to be less demand for office workers because of micro and word processers, or it will remain an unfilled white elephant."

Mr Patrick Cormack Con-servative MP for Staffordshira, South-west, who said the build-ing was a "distasteful intru-sion" which anyone who loved London should fight, is to reintroduce his "skyline" Bill to protect the views of London. There is also opposition to There is also opposition to the block fro mthe Greater London Council, which says it is too high, and Lambern Borough Council, which is against " the slab effect " of the

building. the Courtwold Institute.

Meanwhile MPS from both sides of the House are rallying about half a mile long at 4 pm, sides of the House are rallying about half a mile long at 4 pm.
to oppose the scheme. Mr Hol. the council says. It would

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Steaming back

scrap yards in South Wales and Greece are to be hought and restored at a cost of £190,000 to go back into service on the "Watercress Line" run by railway enthusiasts in Hampshire.

£13m airport plan

The East Midlands Airport Authority will spend £13.3m on airport development between 1980 and 1984, it announced

Dowager Lady Brabourne's bequests to grandsons

Doreen Lady Brabourne, who died aged 82 in the terrorist bomb artack on the Mountbatten boat last August, left most of her property to three grandsons, "the coming gene-ration", her will disclosed yesterday. One of them, Nicholas Knatchbull, aged 14, died in the bombing, which also killed his grandfather, Lord Mountbatten of Burma

Burma. Lady Brabourne, who left £50,226 (£53,544 gross), asked that her property. Waddenhall, in the village of Stelling Minnis, Kent, should go equally to Nicholas and his twin brother Timothy Knatchbull, now aged 15, or the survivor. The residue of her property, including some in Jamaica, she left to one of

their elder brothers, Michael Knatchbull, She said in her will that she wanted to put on record that
"much as I would wish to leave
everything I have to my beloved
son and daughter-in-law, I realize to my sorrow that it is

only common sense in this day She added: "After full conssultation with them I am most happy to do so as to provide as far as I can for the coming generations upon whom so much will depend

Nicholas Knatchbull, who made no will, left 5774,986 (E776,212 gross), it was dis-closed last week.

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of Brixton, Devon, received a special award last night from Mr John Alderson, Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall, for their joint effort 'insaving a little girl whose life was in peril". The girl is Joanna George, aged seven, who disappeared after returning bome from her special school on a wet November evening. Villagers searched fields and woods until she was found three hours later. Every villager received an invitation to atend a ceremony in the infants school last night at which Mr Alderson presented them with his first Good Citizenship Certificate. He said: "When the police called for a search party the entire village turned out. This is community policing in action." Earlier Police Sergeant Alan Tilke (above) showed the certificate to the village children watched by

Villagers praised: Villagers

No Kelly death inquiry until inquest is held By a Staff Reporter

The Home Office will make The Home Office will make no decision on holding an inquiry into the death of Mr James Kelly while in police custody until the outcome of the inquest is known, Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, has stated in a letter

Mr Kelly, aged 53, a labourer who lived in Sir Harold's constituency of Huyton, Liverpool, died last June shortly

an appeal for an inquiry by Merseyside County Council. He pointed out that the inquest will be held in public before a jury, when witnesses can be examined by all interested parties, includ-ing Mr Kelly's family.

that from January, 1970, June, 1979, there were deaths in police custody. Mr Kelly's family have accused Mersesside police of brutality, but the Director of Public Prosecutions decided that police officers should prosecuted over the case.

to Sir Harold Wilson.

after his arrest by Merseyside Mr Whitelaw was replying to

Mr Kelly's case prompted the Home Office to disclose recently

In his statement to the police, Mr Bradshaw said the killing was undertaken for financial reward to revenge the killing of

Mr Justice Comyn said the

life sentence would start that day and the 10-year term Mr

David Knight.

Counties preparing for a battle over green belt

Covernment over its refusal to strictions along the All extend the metropolitan green belt around London and its insistence that they zone more Baldock. land for possible development.

need to maintain an un-developed cordon east of Windsor and Maidenhead, not least because of the continuing growth of Heathrow airport and the industries that serve it.

Councillors are also incensed the council's planners a troubled about how and whe peremptory and premature demand by Mr Michael Heseline Secretary of State feeth tine. Secretary of State for the Environment, that they release an extra 1,000 acres for housing in the central region of the

That, they say, will make it harder to prevent Reading, Wokingham and Bracknell from coalescing into a single urban sprawl. They maintain that there is already enough land in the county with planning permission for future needs.

Hertfordshire, in its structure plan, proposed that virtually the whole county should be treated as green belt, with a pressure of the plan in presumption against any further

Mr Heseltine, however, has techic insisted that the statutory green tion-

By John Young
Planning Reporter
County councils in the Southers are preparing to oppose the

Surrey County Council's plan-ning committee has expressed Feelings are running particu-larly high in Berksbire, where the county is convinced of the to be imposed on rural areas of the county not covered by the green belt. The Department of the Environment has suggested that it should make provision for some 12,000 to 13,000 new homes in the next decade, but the council's planners are troubled about how and where

> The Government is clearly anxious to avoid further confrontation with local authorities dominated by members of its own parry, with whom it is al-ready at odds on several other issues. But it believes that structure plans are being used to discourage further development in the home counties, with questionable motives.

Mr Heseltine has emphasized that he strongly supports the retention of the green belt, but he opposes its extension to cover whole counties like Surrey and Hertfordshire. He regards suggestions that he is "cutting ing to increase statutory prodown" the green belt by declination. tection as gross misrepresenta-

Auction prices rise more than 20% since Christmas

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Sale Room Correspondent
Christie's yesterday held the
first sale of the year at their
main king Street rooms. Devoted
to English furniture. rugs and
carpets, the sale totalled £127,670,
with 4 per cent unsold.
The auctioneer. Mr Anthony
Coleridge, sald that prices seemed
to he up 20 to 30 per cent since
before Christmas. "I suppose it
may have something to do with
the rush for gold and silver",
he added.

Most of the pupphasses.

Most of the purchasers were English dealers, but even at this early season sale there were some Italian buyers, a Spaniard and an Arab. The top, price were some and an Arab. The top, price were some and an Arab. Italian buyers. a Spaniard and an Arab. The top price was £8.800 (estimate £4.000 to £6.000), paid by Phillips and Harris for a 12-leaf Chinese coromandel lacquer screen. It bears an inscription recording that the screen was made as a birthday present for na official at the Chinese Ministry of War in 1686.

The screen was among a group of pieces sold for the trustees of the Henry Vyner Settlement and removed from Fountains Hall, Ripon. Another piece from the group, a Resency mahogany writing table on ring-turned tapering legs, sold for £4,200 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500) to C. Gibbs.

Top prices for topographical works led to Phillips' sale of printed books, atlases and maps yesterday making £77,000, more than any other book sale the firm has held, with 2 per cent unsold. Works of Swiss interest have been much in demand for some time and five volumes (three text and two piates) of Laborde and Zurlauben's Tablemark de la Suisse, of 1780-85, made £12,500 (estimate £75,000 to Hemmand

of 1780-86, made £12,500 (estimate of 1780-85, made £12.500 (estimate £4,500) to Hammond.

A manuscript description of Hertfordshire by John Nordan dated £597 and dedicated to the Countess of Warwick, 66 pages in all, sold to Burgess at £6,200 (estimate £1,500),

Life jail sentence on man who named 100 others immediately after Zomparelli slumped to the floor."

George Bradshaw, whose assistance the police said had been "incredible", was sen-tenced at the Central Criminal Court yesterday to life imprison-ment for the murder of Alfredo

Det Chief Supt Robert Wilson said Mr Bradshaw had put him-Salf in extreme danger. Mr Zomparelli was said to have been the victim of a £1,000 revenge murder after he was released from prison.

Mr Bradshaw, aged 37, admitted to being one of two men involved in the shooting of Mr Zomparelli at the Golden Goose amusement arcade, Old Compton Street, Soho, London, in 1974. Mr Justice Comyn was told that Mr Bradshaw, a former trainee accountant, had confessed to the murder and scores, of other crimes, had informed on more than 100 dangerous and wanted men, and was now being closely guarded by the

He had confessed to robberies and implicated other men in further robberies in which the total haul was more than £750,000 the judge was told.

the prosecution said: "The assistance given by the defendant towards solving serious and organized crime can only be described as invaluable".

Mr Bradshaw pleaded guilty to murdering Mr Zomparelli, arson at the Directors' Club;

Drummond Street, Camden, between June 8 and 11, 1976: rob-bing Michael North of £10,000 on January 21, 1976: robbing Edward Rootes of £25,000 on June 9, 1976; and wounding David Cahill on August 19, 1974 with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm. He asked for a further 107 offences to be

was while he was serving that term of imprisonment that, be-tween April and October last year, having asked to speak to police officers ,he made a total

taken into consideration. Mr Du Cann said Mr Brad-shaw was sentenced in February, 1978, to 10 years' im-prisonment for robberies and using a firearm with intent to resist arrest. Counsel added. "It

of 74 statements under They provided details of charged by accident. Both men offences of murder, arson, a walked out of the arcade

spiracies to rob, the use and possession of firearms, of fraud and theft and a number of other less significant offences.

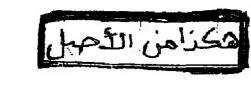
Mr Alderson.

other less significant offences. Mr Du Cann said Mr Zomparcili frequente dthe Golden Goose amusement arcade almost every day at the same time. He had a travel agency business near the arcade. He had been convicted in 1970 at the Central Criminal Court of the unlawful killing of David Knight and had been jailed for four years. He was released in 1973, counsel added. "It is clear that the professional murder of that man was

undertaken in revenge for having caused the death of David Knight. When Zomparelli was playing a fruit machine he was shot at point blank range four times in the chest and back with a 38 revolver." Eye-witnesses said that two men, both disguised, had been involved. Mr Du Cann con-tinued: "One fired the 38 while the other acted as guard for the murderer. He was armed

day and the 10-year term Mr
Bradshaw is now serving would
merge with it. He gave Mr
Bradshaw five years for the
arson offence, and a six-year
sentence for each of the two
armed robberies to which he
pleaded guilty. The judge said that it was a dramatically exceptional case. He gave Mr Bradshaw four years for wounding Mr Cabill and said he was taking into consideration, without imposing a separate penalty, the massive number of crimes which Mr Bradshaw asked to have considered.

The judge said that Mr Bradshaw had made a mommoth confession of crime, and as a result the police were hopeful of being able to gather in an enormous number of dangerous



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Nuclear power delay 'would mean loss of essential energy'

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

An essential source of energy supply would be lost if the development of nuclear power was subjected to continued interruption and undue delay, it is believed by 14 eminent politicians, economists and scientists who are signatories to a report published yesterday.

The document, issued jointly hy the Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, and the Rockefeller Foundation, New York, says: "The question is not whether the civil use of nuclear energy entails risks. It does.

"Every stage of the fuel cycle, from uranium mining to waste disposal, carries risks to those who engage in it and to the community at large."

The report says that the questions to be answered differ from other activities connected with the supply of energy such as mining, transporting and burning coal, carrying liquid gas, establishing large hydroelectric dams or constructing large solar power installations. For example, are nuclear facilities designed and operated with due regard for the public interest? Do national institurious provide adequate informa-tion about nuclear and other risks and the means of containing them?

Can nuclear risks and the risks of providing energy by other means be assessed accurately enough to compare them fairly with each other? How should nuclear risks be weighed against the alternative risks associated with the limits on future energy supply if nuclear power was not avail-

Accusations that nuclear power leads necessarily toward authoritarian state control are regarded as difficult allegations to answer. But the authors of the report of the International Consultative Group on Nuclear Energy say that it must be shown in practice that the central controls needed to pro-tect the public interest can be combined with responsiveness and accountability.

Since uranium, like petro-leum, is a finite source, ways of using uranium more efficiently must be developed without delay. That includes meking better use of nuclear fuels in existing types of reactors and of demonstrating the longer-term feasibility of fait breeder reac-

But that depends on striking "hargain of confidence" over nuclear power that the signa-tories of this report believe is missing in many of the countries of the industrialized

One of the anxieties uppermost, in their view, is the potential proliferation of weapons from expansion of nucleur power. They believe that can be contained and that the pre-cedures should be made clear for public satisfaction.

Another side to that coin is Another side to just coin is considered among countries which look to nuclear power as an energy source, but which remain to be convinced that the super powers controlling the sechnology will guarantee in the long term access to equipment services and materials. Waste storage study: Four new

areas have been chosen by the Government for study as pos-sible places for underground storage of long-lived nuclear

storage of long-lived nuclear wastes.

There are three areas in England and one in Wales: central and north-west Somerset; south-east Hereford and Worcester, and north Gloucestershire; north Leicestershire and south Nottinghamshire; and south Gwynedd and north-west Powys. north-west Powys.

It is expected that it will take 10 years to establish the most suitable sites for waste discosal.

Experts "horrified": Experts at the National Centre for Alternative Technology at Machynlieth, mid-Wales, said yesterday that they were "horrified" at suggestions that rified" at suggestions to nuclear waste should dumped on their doorstep. be



The Duke and Duchess of Westminster with their first child, Lady Tamara Katharina Grosvenor, at Eaton Hall, Chester,

Prisoner sues Home Office over control unit

By Annabel Ferriman
The Home Office is to be

sued in the High Court by a prisoner who is claiming that his detention in a "centrol unit" at Wakefield prison in 1974 was unlawful. Mr Michael Williams is

alleging that the unit's regime, under which prisoners were kept in solitary confinement for 90 days at a time, was illegal under rule 43 of the Prison Rules, 1964. The rule lays down that a prisoner in solirary con-finement must have his position reviewed every month.
Alr Williams is also claiming

for 180 days was unlawful because he had not been accused of any specified disciplinary offence and had not been given any chance to appeal agninst his deterrion.

He is suing for evemplary damages for false imprisonment and trespass to the person, claiming that he suffered mental stress, anxiety, fear, unhappi-ness, damage and loss.

The control units, introduced at Wakefield prison in 1974, were abolished les than a year later after an outcry from civil libertarians, the Howard League for Penal Reform and the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Of-

According to a confidential memorandum sent from the Home Office to prison governors which was published in 1975, which was published in 1973, they were to be used as behaviour modification experiments in which the prisoner would go into a specially designed unit and, isolated from other prisoners, start a regime

last 90 days. If at any time the prisoner failed to show the required behariourial changes, be would start again at the beginning of stage one. The Association of Prison Governors asked the May committee on prisons to reestablish the units.

The case of Mr Williams, who is still in prison in Maidsione, is due to be heard on February 25. Yesterday the National Council for Civil Liberries appealed to a judge in Chambers for disclosure of certain Home Office documents

Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, is claiming that they are covered by minis-terial privilege. The judge's decision was reserved.

Miss Harriet Harman, the council's legal officer, said if it succeeds it will establish that prison rules are enforceable by law.

"In the United States and Canada there is now a well

Canada there is now a well established principle that what goes on in prisons is subject to the authority of the courts."

Two other prisoners, Mr. Michael McMullen and Mr. John Masterson, who were in control units at Wakefield prison, are also suing the Home Office.

A date is expected to be announced soon for the case of the Commission for Racial Equality against the Home Office. The commission wants to conduct a formal investigation into the Home Office immission occasion occasions eration procedures and is going to court to establish its right

Atomic leak found by 'psychic' weman

A housewife who claims to be psychic is being offered the freedom of Hinkley Poirt nuclear power station in Somer-set to test for radiation leaks impressing engincers

with her powers. Last year Mrs Phyllis White, of Burnham-on-Sea, said there was a radiction leak at the power station near her home months before its discovery was announced. Radioactive waste water leaked on to the beach at the nuclear plant at Easter through cracks in an under-ground drain. Mrs White discovered the leak with a water divining device.

"My psychic powers told me there was a leak of radinactive water somewhere on the plant", she said. "I was proved right in a few months. When I reported it to the nuclear engineers they invited me to the plant to check the pipes for other faults but I was too afraid of getting an overdose of radiation.

"I did offer to check the plans of the power station using dowsing techniques at my home, but the engineers refused to cooperate."

Mrs White aged 48, who did research in high altitude cosmic radiation for six years at Bristol University, said she had detected the leak with a connected the leak with a copper ball on the end of a

"About a month after I in-formed the local council and the power station they wrote back confirming there had been a leak of radioactive waste on to the beach."

She is also convinced that radiation has been leaking from the nuclear plant's cooling system since cracks were dis-covered in September.

The health physicist at Hinkley Point, Mr Philip Carter, confirmed that there had been a leak of low-level waste water from the plant lest

Easter.
"This water comes handwashing laundry and clean-ing. We are allowed to dis-charge it into the sea once the radiation level has been monitored by outside independent

Disabled urged to stage street protests against cuts a conference in London that it despite the lack of enforcement was time to mubilize to stop government and local authorities of disabled people to ensure withdrawn", Mr Ashley said. By Pat Healy

Social Services Correspondent Disabled people and their supporters were urged yesterday to march in the strets, on Partiament and to 10 Downing Street to fight for the full im-plementation of the now threatened Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act, passed with all-party support ten years ago.

Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, told

ties cutting services for disabled people.

disability and poverty hodies who are concerned that the Act will be weakened by the cuts and attempts by the Association of County Councils to persuade the Government to reduce it from a mandatory to a permisom a mandatory to a permissive piece of legislation.

Mr Ashley pointed out that effect that service has been sive piece of legislation.

that they kept their essential services. The conference was called by Mr Patrick Jenkins, Secretary

of State for Social Services, had agreed that it was illegal to withdraw services provided withdraw services provided under the Act in the absence of a reduction in need. "If the charge is increased

Mr John Hannam, Conserva-tive MP for Exeter and secretary of the all-party disablement group, said the county council's "retrograde" propo-sal that the statutory obliga-tions should be dropped was "most disturbing".

The conference adopted declaration expressing grave concern that "the Act is being undermined both directly and indirectly as national and local government plan and implement financial cuthacks.

Shark used as rates cheque

Mr James Sullivan, a Cornish rishmonger, yesterday paid his rates with a cheque written on the belly of an Eft. 350 lb shark, because his local council had refused permission for a fish and chip counter at his shop.

After close examination by staff at Caradon District Counstarr at Caradon District Council's office in Liskeard, the shark was taken by council van to the Midland Bank, where the £222.71 amount due was credited to the council's account.

Parents of dead boys discharged

From Our Correspondent

The parents of three brothers who died in a fire deliberately started at their home were given conditional discharges by Mr F. Loy, the Hull stipendiary magistrate, yesterday for crimi-nal damage during a Christmas Eve confrontation with neigh-

Thomas and Edith Hastie, both aged 34, now living at an undisclosed address in Hull, admitted breaking windows and doing £45-£50 of damage.

The court was told that the couple returned to their former neighbourhood in Selby Street, Hull, on Christmas Eve and accused people of causing the deaths of their sous, aged 15,

12, and eight. Mr Michael Rosenburg, for the defence, said Mr and Mrs Hastie had visited their surviving son, aged nine, who was still in hospital, and Mrs Hastie insisted on confronting their former neighbours. She was upset, he said, and her emotions

got out of control. She still believed that someone living in Selby Street caused the deaths of her child-

She had seven children of whom she was passionately proud and over-protective.

The magistrate said he was taking the exceptional course of a conditional discharge because of the circumstances, but the Hasties would have to pay com-pensation and fines of £1 each for failing to surrender to their bail for a previous hearing.

Mrs Hastie was also fined a nominal £1 on each of two conditional discharges she was given last August for criminal

Miner killed

Mr Gerald Forbes, aged 19, a miner, of Grange Road, Cannock, was killed by a mine car in Lea Hall colliery. Rugeley, Staffordshire, yesterday. The coal board is investigating the accident.

Drug safety testing 'could halt research'

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

A warning that research to produce new medicines might cease if the trend towards ever more tests before their use was not stopped was given yesterday by Mr David Smart, president of the Association of the Eritish Pharmaceutical Industry.
In spite of the exhaustive rest-

ing programmes that were, quite properly, the accepted rule, there could be no such thing as absolute safety in modern medicines, which were highly active and effective compounds.

he said. The time had come to recognize that no additional expenditure of time or money would ever guarantee total freedom from bazard.

Mr Smart, speaking at a London press conference marking the opening of the celebraof the association, said there was a danger that the industry could be forced into a position where it would be impossible to recover the costs of tests which sought to establish the

unattainable. In Britain it could take up to 15 years and about £25m before

meant that many patients were depied new life-saving medicines because approval awaited yet more testing on animals, although the drug had been used on millions of human parients in other countries.

Dr Richard Arnold, director of the association, foresaw an early reappraisal of the burden of safety testing and what was necessary to establish that a new medicine was reasonably safe for its intended use.

He thought the increasing data requirement at clinical testing and the marketing stage might be checked. He hoped there could be even a slight relaxation, especially in clinical trial certificate requirements, without any effective increase in risk for the patient.

Given that easing of requirements; he believed important advances including more highly effective and safe vaccines and antiviral drugs,

were in prospect.
Progress of drug therapy in
the cancer field was likely to be steady rather than dramatic. with increasing use of combinations of drugs.

a new drug could be marketed.
At the end, when all the data were ready, there could be six months when nothing happened before clinical trials could begin.
In the United States they suffered from the so-called Developments were expected in the treatment and provention of pain, and progress in improving delivery systems so that active drugs went to the exact site where they were needed, in the right concentration and for the appropriate period. Developments were expected

From Our Correspondent

A schoolbny aged 15 tricked

A schoolbny aged 15 tricked banks into paying him more than £3,500 for worthless notes, it was alleged at Brighton Juvenile Court yesterday.

Police Sergeant John Ainsley said the boy found a pile of Brazilian bank notes in the artic of his home. At first he used them as "toy money" to play cards with its father. Then he visited banks in Sussex, Surrey and Kent, and ex-hanged them for pounds.

The banks became an concerned as the offences conrinued that for a time they stopped all dealing in South American currencies

The boy, who admitted 19 oftences of stealing 13,549 and attempting to steal from banks with the worthless notes, was remanded on bail for three weeks for reports.

Schoolboy tricked banks

Unsuspecting cashiers gave him £1 for every \$4 Brazilian cruzeiros without checking. The notes were withdrawn from circulation four years ago.

Court challenge to Hillingdon's policy on housing of overseas arrivals

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent

Two families who arrived at Heathrow Airport and were refused housing accommodation by Hillingdon Council, have taken the council to court in an attempt to have the decisions reversed.

Recently, after an acrimonious exchange with the Com-mission for Racial Equality, the council decided that the Rousing (Homeless Persons) Act does not give rights to accommodation to certain of the arrivals from overseas.

In both cases, which are the dirst challenges to the council's tew policy, applicants sought in injunction in the High Court his week to compel the council o provide accommodation for hem until the hearing of the

One of the applications, in espect of a man, his wife and hree children, who arrived isputes the council's contenon that the Act does not poly to him.

But the council argues that even if the Act did apply to him it would be relieved of obligations because he had accommodation in Cyprus, the council says, and came to this country of his own

The council has told the family that it will keep the bed and breakfast accommodation available for 14 days so as to enable them to find an alterna-

In the second case, which concerns an Ethiopian widow of a Brirish citizen and her son, or a British Citizen and ner soft, an injunction was granted. The council says it does not suggest that homelessness in this case was self-induced. Had the woman not been an overseas arrival with no previous connexion with this country, the would have council

oblized to rehouse her. She and her son were placed in bed and breakfast accommo- ties.

The day after their arrival, dation on June 5, which has the family were placed in bed and breakfast accommodation by the council at a cost so far by the council at a cost so far at that time, court officials assumed would not take place for about nine months, and that would have cost the council about £2,000,

The council says it therefore had no alternative but to decline and invited the applicant to seek an injunction. It is to apply to the Divi-sional Court next sional Court next week, requesting an early date tor the hearing. Even if the application is granted, the council says, it is unlikely that the hearing will take place before March, costing it a further £500

in accommodation charges. Meanwhile the council says it is to continue its campaign for changes in legislation to relieve it of the burden caused by Heathrow airport being in the borough. Council officers have made their views known to the Department of the Environment and the Association of Metapolitan Authori-

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Neither kind nor sensible to buy peace in the steel industry regardless of economic reality

British unions in general tended to demand and extract from em-ployers something for nothing Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry said in opening a debate on the steel industry. Sir Keith Joseph (Leeds, North-East. C) said that people in this country were in relative economic decline. It was not because of any lack of talent in this country, nor because the economy was uncom-petitive. Many manufacturers were world leaders. Invisibles, the city, agriculture, were in general excellent, but the good performance of many was offset by the bad performance of some and the country's average was less good than that of her rivals. That was the country was in relative

why the country was in relative economic decline. Governments must take much of the blame. The country had rela-tively low pay, pensions, and inadequate public services beinadequate public services be-cause too many people had been led, perhaps even encouraged by Government, to ignore the econo-mic reality. Jobs, earnings and the public spending made by them, depended upon customers and upon being competitive. National-ization had bred indifference to the ization had bred indifference to the customer and to competitiveness. Management was patchy—from the brilliant to the poor, and unions had not understood the link between competitiveness and satisfied customers on the one hand and pay and jobs on the other.

Unions, to obtain higher pay, tended to threaten private employers with bankruptcy and public employers, nationalized or state, with disruption and damage to the public. They tended to threaten employers regardless of the demand for the product or service, regardless of the demand for the profit or loss to the emless of the profit or loss to the emless of the profit or loss to the em-ployer, regardless of the scope for increased productivity and regardless of the freedom of union members to move in search of higher pay if they could get it

This word regardless (he con-This word regardless (he continued) is near the heart of the British disease. Unlous often force private employers to choose hetween the economic disaster of a long strike if they resist or the total disaster of crippled competitiveness and squeezed profit if they rise way. they give way.
What British unions in general tend to demand and extract from mployers is all too often someemployers is an too often some-thing for nothing—increased earn-ings regardless; a demand for higher pay without a readiness to cooperate in financing that higher pay by higher productivity. Employers, including the

pay by higher productivity.
Employers, including the Government when it was involved, had tended to give way under the pressure of strikes or strike threats. The public had come to see giving way as the decent and normal thing to do. The Government was called upon to settle it—meaning to give way, often with the taxpayers' money. The results had been lamentable for the people of this country. of this country. We have (he continued) largely

because of a widespread something for nothing attitude lost competitiveness, lost jobs and lost the better public services which we could have had. All too often peace had been bought at the cost of jobs, pay and pensions. The steel industry was a classic example of several aspects of British industry. The wide choice. They will not necesbackground was nationalised, centralised, decision making.

too ambitious expansion plan way too ambifdous expansion plan was launched. Demand turned round. The last Government postponed the necessary closures so that what could have been earlier but fewer redundancies at a time when there were more other jobs available had built up to a larger number of redundancies at a time when there were fewer other jobs available.

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made it known to Mr Sirs he was willing to see him if Mr Sirs wished to. But any negotiating was for BSC and the union.

Steelworkers had seen an optimi-Steelworkers had seen an optimi-stic steel management and now they saw what might seem a pessimistic one.

The truth was that demand had fallen. The British economy had been pretty stagnant. The big steel users had declined. British steel prices had been and were high and the west quality was not high and the steel quality was not universally good. There was no escape—demand had fallen but the BSC proposed to keep a substan-tial reserve of spere capacity to meet increased demand when it

meet increased demand when it came.

I sympathize with the steel-workers (he said) but it is not sensible for them to insist upon higher pay regardless of whether or not productivity is improved. Steelworkers were really not sensible in insisting on higher pay regardless of whether or not productivity was maintained,

BCC's original offer was not 2 per cent as widely quoted, it was per cent as widely quoted, it was 2 per cent to honour a commitment made the previous year and up to a further 10 per cent through negotiations and implementation of improved productivity at local level.

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There is a large increase in productivity at local level.

There is a large increase in productivity to be obtained, and BSC certainly offered it. The average steelworker was paid about £110 per week gross. The offer now is 3 per cent in return for a central agreement on improved productivity, plus 4 per cent from local lump sum bonus schemes.

BSC offers the chance the went on) to earn a pay rise of at least 12 per cent. I ask the House and the workers to look at the prospects. They are good. Look at the equipment. It is now as modern as any in the world. Look at the high levels of output achieved in Germany and at the high levels of pay they linance. The offer will enable the average steel-egrafies to rise to 5124 gross per week, including overtime. But the unlone will not sign the agreement on which the sign the agreement on which the 8 per cent offer is conditional and

they will not agree to the con-ditions for the 4 per cent payments.

They want the 8 per cent without strings and the 5 per cent as an advanced payment against local bonus schemes.

This is not a matter of 12 per cent against 13 per cent. The BSC offer, with the extra money, would be earned by the steelworkers. This is important on two counts. First, it really is not reasonable to ask taxoayers and all workers including the lower paid are tax-payers, to continue to pay a large subsidy to steelworkers when the steelworkers have the chance to earn more for themselves.

Every year the British steel industry does not catch up leaves
us not the same distance but further behind. The result of being
left further behind is that the
industry will have to shrink even
further and there will be fewer
jobs, and better pay will be
further out of reach.

If taxpayers found the money
the steelworkers would be lulled
into thinking that they need not
become more competitive. Yet,
despite all those arguments, it
would be presented, it was being
presented, as cruel and stupid not
to put in some more of the longsuffering taxpayers' money to buy
peace yet again. peace yet again.

peace yet again.

It was neither kind nor sensible to buy peace. It would be another step on the downward path: a big step, because some managements and many unions would think that they could still go on ignoring economic reality. That was what the strike was about: ignoring or not ignoring economic reality. It was not about higher pay.

The choice was whether the The choice was whether the money came from the taxpayer or higher earnings through higher productivity, better work practice, better management and better manage at all levels. The gap in productivity between this country and its competitors was wider than ever, despite all the investment in modern plant

and despite the promises. This time hold sides must reach an agreement that would produce It was said that he took management's side. The very use of the concept of sides was another symptom of the British disease. Pensioners, workers and managers had a common interest. managers and a commenture. The more expanses money had to be used to flastice lost-making industry the less there was for the tax-payer and for public services. Payer and for public services.

This dispute was an example of the reason why British wages, salaries and public services were poorer than they could be and poorer than in many other countries. It would inevitably lead to fewer steel jobs and a smaller steel industry sent.

where did the Labour Party stand? Did it stand for the interests of everyone or was it part of the British disease, arguing part of the British disease, arguing in favour of something for nothing? He hoped it stood where the Government stood—for every-body, (Loud Conservative cheers.) Yet, if a sensible settlement was reached which the British Steel Corporation could finance within the money available from customers and taxpayers, there was real hope of a competitive British industry taying its way and paying good earnings for good output. That was the prize. I speak or try to speak (he went on) for all the interests concerned (Labour laughter and Conservative cheers): for steel workers, steel management, steel users, steel suppliers, pensioners and raxouvers.

and raxinvers.

This dispute was really tragic self-injury by the steel workers. The clash was between one group of workers and much larger numbers whose jobs in other industries were being and would be damaged by this strike. The dispute was a clear example of the British disease: a demand for higher pay without readiness to cooperate in financing it by higher productivity.

Strike could destroy economy

man on industry (Lewisham, Dept-ford, Lab) said this was not a dispute between management on the one hand and the unions on the other; it was a dispute between the Government and the unions. The whole of the dispute arose from one major decision—the decision of Sir Keith Joseph that there would be no fresh support for the steel industry and that it must break even, starting in March, 1980.

1980.

He agreed that they had to improve productivity. Sir Keith Joseph had said that since the agreement of January 23, 1975, nothing much had happened, but the union had voluntarily agreed to have its manpower cut by 35,000. Sie Keith was imperagent in say-Sir Keith was impersioned in saying to these men who had accepted appailing redundancies that they were nor playing their part. The unions agreed that there should be hetter productivity. The difference between them and Sir Keith was that better productivity did not necessarily mean contraction of the industry. That was what Sir Keith was after.

Keith was after.
They should not be aiming for contraction, but aiming for a steel industry in the context of a general expansion. Last year, the demand for United Kingdom steel amounted to 17 million tonnes. It was a deliberate requirement of government that steel production should be contracted to 15 million tonness.

They were facing one of the most dangerous international sit-most dangerous international sit-uations since the war, but were setting about killing the steel in-dustry. They would have to rely on foreign steel.

dustry. They would have to rely on foreign steel.

I suppose the next thing (he said) will be the refusal to carry on with the production of titamium in this country so we can rely on Russian titamium. It seems more than stupid: it is the philosophical expression of Sir Keith's mind.

One firm, in West Germany had a 3 per cent profit in the last year. All the rest were in the red. A report had said not one expected to break even before the end of 1981 at the earliest. Yet Sir Keith talked of profits.

He took a small view of the industry, too. When he discussed productrity he was talking about wholesale sackings. His philosophy did not accept that one could have a whole economic plan for the country.

country.
Sir Keith saw everything as heing in separate compartments when all these industries, in fact, when all interdependent and interte-lated. If British steel went, British manufacturing would go. Indus-ries would be crippled. It was catastrophic in national wealth and in human terms. Sir Keith Joseph had asked him

if he agreed that the taxpayer should pay more. The answer was yes, and so was that of the taxpayer. The Secretary of State was trying to slide out of the Government's responsibility for this

Mr John Osborn (Sheffield, Hallam, C) said he appealed to those on strike to consider the constquences for themselves and their families. It was madness for those in the private sector of the steel industry to follow the invitation and the instruction of Mr Bill Sirs

Mr Enoch Powtli South Down, Off UU) said the strike was not only about remuneration but also about numbers employed. The trade union could decide that it would go for a given wage. It could not then decide that it would go also for a given volume of employment. In the end it was a strike not only against government, but to the extent that it was concerned with maintaining the level and pattern of employment it was a strike gainst reality. Mr Michael Brown (Brigg and Scunthorpe. C) said he was sad that the ISTC had walktd out of negotiations so early in the dis-

pute. There was still room for talking. Rightly and understanda-bly BSC wanted to ensure it was not giving away money it did not The union was now plainly out

strike had passed from reasonable saw in it the opportunity to con-front the Government-flying pickets, extremism and fellow tra

It was not the Government which was threstening to take away more jobs from the industry but the actions of this normally moderate actions of this normally moderate union. The country would lose, the steel industry would lose, there could be no winners and the worst losers of all through the dispute losers of all through the assignment could nonly be the steel transcris.

Miss Joan Maynard (Sheffield, Brightside, Lab) said the workers had been set up for the strike and the BSC was the tool of the Government. In its attempt to slim, down the industry it was using the workers as scapegoats.

workers as scapegozis.

Mir Eoy Hughes (Newport, Lab) said for generations to come the name of Joseph would stink in the nostrils o fthe people of South mostrils of the people of Wales.

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford. C) said it was useless for the Government to say that it had no responsibility in this matter. If the government did not accept its responsibility for the industry it would not be accepting its reponsibility to the community. Mr Cyrli Smith (Rochdale, L) said the dispute did not merely affect stee Iworkers but thousands of engineering companies, many of gincering companies, many of whom were small firms whom the Government wished to champion and help. Parmership between manage:

Partnership between management and unions was not created by attaching impossible conditions to wage settlements but by showing employees in industry that there was confidence that they would honestly attempt to achieve the targets they were set.

The strike had to be settled quickly and in a way that was fair and honourable to all concerned. Common sense should prevail.

Mr 'David Crouch (Canterbury, C) said he accepted that the Government should not intervene on pay negotiations. That was the job of management and unions togeter. But there was a case for intervention now, if only to find out the real causes of he trouble which were much wider than just a pay dispute. There should be intervention before there was constraint before there was constraint. dispute. There should be interven-tion before there was even greater

disturbance in the economy.

He was not advocating a climbdown by the Government but a
slow-down perhaps on the ridundancies that seemed to be

required. Above all he wanted the Government to talk to the men in the industry. So much needed to be it was done and done properly. Mr John Morris (Aheravon, Lab) said the Government could not starte out the steelworkers. The Government was the paymaster and bank manager and would even tually have to intervene whether it liked it or not.

Mr John Cunningham, an Opposi-tion spokesman on industry (Whi-tehaven, Lab), said that even if Labour agreed with everything which the Secretary of State said, which they did not, was it credible against an inflation rate of 17 per cent that any union could have accepted the offer in the circum-stances in which it was made? It was rubbish to suggest it was ever on. There was either the most groresque mismanagement of the situation or some other motive in making the ofter in the way in which it was made. Those who made the ofter and were behind the situation in which it was made. the situation in which it was made could have almost predicted the

outcome.

By forcing BSC into its present position at least £1,000m of tax-

payers' money was being put a risk hecause of the intransigence of theSecretaryofState. theSecretaryofState.

He was taking a massive gamble with taxpayers' money. Was he willing to risk wracking the industriad economy? To take such a gamble was a most reprhensible position for him and his colleagues to be in: What he is trying to do (he continued) is browbeat the trade unions, to frighten the public in general and to adopt a stance which will not only colour for years industrial relations in the years industrial relations in the steel industry but will colour the attitude of trade unious as a whole to this Government's approach to this government's approach to the industrial problems we face. Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State

Mr Adam Botier, Minister of State for Industry (Bosworth, C) said that this was a strike against the whole community, including steel workers. There could be no winners in this strike.

BSC had been caught up in the vicious spiral of industrial disputes. These were almost more vicious than the price spiral.

In 1979 strikes had cost the corporation 180m which was 10 per cent of the corporation's wage bill. If that money had been in the till now it would be available for paying out. Now steel workers, because there was no cash to meet their wage Claim, were taking it out on other industries

industries.

The Government was involved. It had provided and was providing large capital sums for the steel industry. The industry could no longer be dependent on public charity. charity.

Following a letter from Mr Sirs
to the Prime Minister the Secretary of State would be seeing him
and Mr Smith, leader of the blast furnancemen's union. Joseph was prepared to lay every engagement aside to respond to the approach from the union leaders. The meeting which will take place (he continued) is not a negofiating one. Ngotations must remain the responsibility of the two parties to the dispute. The motion for the adjournment was rejected by 313 rotes to 239—Government majority, 54.

angry at decision on Chile

Britain is to restore normal dip-lomatic relations with Chile, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, announced amid protests from Labour MPs. Mr Ridley (Circucester and Tewkesbury, C) said over recent months we have been considering. all aspects of our relations with Chile. We have now decided that we should restore our relations with Chile to the normal diplomatic level, in line with those of our wester, line

our major allies.

We are, therefore, after discussion with the Chilean Government, reinstaining ambassadors.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab)—This decision shows the total indifference of the Government and the Tory benches to the denial of human rights in a right wing military dictatorship. The torturers of Dr Shella Cassidy have never been brought to justice in Chile where there are still torture and killings.

Mr Ridden—If we were in hase Mr Ridley—If we were to base exchange of ambassadors upon countries of whose regimes or records on human rights we approved, we would have many fewer ambassadors. It is not this government's policy to be selec-tive as Labour was.

tive as Labour was.

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Tower Hamicts, Stepney and Popular, Lab)—The Human Rights Commission of the General Assembly of the United Nations clearly indicated that human rights in Chile had deteriorated in the past year. The linted State has year. year. The United States has re-tation in Santiago in the last duced the level of its represed-menth because of the behaviour duced the level or and duced the level or and the behaviour of the regime there. How can Mr Ridley justify this change of Mr Ridley-We have ambassadors

in many countries such as Viet-nam where there are far worse records on human rights. At the time of the General Assembly resolution the Nine stressed the need to avoid selectivity. He said later-One reason we decided to restore ambassadors is so we may present our views on human rights and on other matters at a higher level, with greater im-

Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition (Cardiff, South East, Lab)—No apology has been received from the Chilean Govern-ment about the torture of Shella Mr Ridley—After much pressure on the Critean Government we have obtained from them a letter

have obtained from them a letter setting out their serious concern about Dr Cassidy's case. They assure us that they have made the most exhaustive investigations and have sincerely regretted any improper treatment she may have received during detention. That is dated December 1979 and goes much further than the previous government managed to get the Chilean Government to go.

Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Ed-Chilean Government to go.

Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Edmunds. C)—We have lost a lot of trade in the last two years hecause of our action. Will ECGD credits again be available to exporters to Chile? When the Soviet Union is stamping out human rights in Afghanistan it is the height of hypocrisy for the Opposition to complain about our extensing ambassadors with Chile.

suron to complain about our ex-changing ambassadors with Chile. Mr Ridley—Medium-term credits were restored by ECGD last June. We did not change our minds about the previous government's policy because of losing out-greatly on trade, however. Mr Russell Johnston (Inverness, L)—The withdrawal of the amoassador was not connected only with Sheila Cassidy and her torture but with the case of William Beausire, a British citizen who, as far as we know, had been cortured and certainly imprisoned these less six years. What assurance did we get in that regard before agreeing to resume representation? Mr Ridley—The Chilean Govern hir Ridge—The Chilean Government have told us they are still making investigations... (Labour-laughter)... into Mr Beausire's case and have assored us that the authorities will give the legal tribunals looking into the matter the maximum cooperation. Nobody knows where Mr Beausire is or what has beingened to him.

Labour MPs | Mrs Thatcher wants Olympics in new venue

The Government favoured moving the Mission about the Olympics.

Mrs Thatcher—I am not prepared to Olympic Games away from a discussion about the Olympics.

Moscow to another venue, the We would tavour trying to move moment. I have indicated to the Prime Minister said to chears at the venue from Moscow to else question, time, it should be done where it it is possible. No one can by taking concerted action with do it alone. We believe we should matter. If we are not able to succeed in that view other matters will arise and decisions will have the international Olympic Gommitter. The international objects to the international of the i

Mrs Thatcher's statement came in Mrs Tinicher's statement came in reply to a question from Mr Phillip Whitehead (Derby, North; Lab), who had asked: As we understand that the Cabinet, this morning may have discussed a possible Eritish boycotr of the Olympics on the quite proper grounds that sport and politics are mixed, would the Prime Minister call for a report from the Minister for Sport on the proposed rugby tour of South Africa which may lead to expulsion from the Commonwealth Games?

Does she support the Minister for Sport or agree with the views of Mr Denis Thatcher?

do it alone. We believe we should try to do it by concerted action with our ellies and make an approach to the International Olympic Committee in whose laps the decision would lie.

On the Lions' tour, the Minister of Sport expressed my tiew that it was contrary to the Gleneagles agreement. agreement.
With regard to opinion in the Tratcher household the Prime Minister does not have 2 monopoly. (Laughter.) poly. (Langhter.)
Mr. William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab)—in the event of the Government falling to get the venue of the Olympic Games transferred from Moscow will she give, as undertaking that she will refuse permission to the Duke of Editi-burgh to go to Moscow?

Mr Terence Riggins (Worthing, C)—As she is equally determined that effective action should be taken to deter Russian action will she ensure that full consultation takes place before the Government takes any definite line on the ques-tion of boycoming the Olympics? If such an appeal were rejected by the sporting bodies concerned the effect would be highly damaging and counter-productive. As to a change of venue, leaving aslde practical difficulties and the fact that the Government would no doubt be required to meet the cost, will she take into account that the whole point of the Olympic Games

is that he expects to match bimself. is that he expects to match bimself against the best in the world? An Olympics in which a large number of good competitors were not taking part would be seen to be pourless by many.

This would be the case if those in the third world who object to the Lions tour of South Africa felt they should go to Moscow rather than elsewhere.

Mrs Thatcher—I am aware of the viewpoint of those who have been training for a number of yer it to compete so that they reach neak performance at the time of the Olympic Games.

That is why the Government believe it would be right to try to move the venue away from Moscow. Equally we cannot just stand back and see the Russians do what they have done in Afghanistan, deploring it and taking no action at all. (Cheers.)

Leaders clash over pension promises

Now that the Conservatives have won the election, the Prime Mini-ster should not renege on her pension undertakings, Mr James Caflaghan, Leader of the Opposi-tion, said during questions to Mrs Tharcher.

Mr Alfred Dubs (Wandsworth, Battersea, South, Lab) had said : During the last election campaign, bering the last election campaign, her party made much play of being the party supposed to be in favour of the family. How can she justify the Government decision not to increase child benefits at a time of rapidly increasing inflation?

Mrs Margaret Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C).—This party is very much in favour of the family, but that does not mean automatically asking for every single benefit to be increased. Families have to provide the finance from family benefits are increased. Labour MPs are always prepared to ask for other people to do something without recognizing that demands made on govern-

selves.
Mr James Callaghan (Cardiff.
South-East, Lab)—Figures published yesterday showed earnings
at 19.2 per cent, when the figure
of pensions increase was fixed
on a basis of 17.5 per cent. As
the Prime Minister, when seeking
votes last April, decided to underwrite the commitment to increase
this figure, is she now intending
to increase the amount of pensions
in view of the fact that earnings
are much bigger?

Mre Thatcher—Mr Callashan will Mrs Thatcher—Mr Callaghan will remember that pensions went up by more than 17.5 per cent this year. (Labour protests).

Mr Callaghan—I understand Mrs Thatcher might not have fully un-derstood the question. The pen-sion increase this year was based on a 17.5 per cent increase in earnings together with . . . Mrs Thatcher-! did understand.

Mr Callaghan—If Mrs Thatcher did understand it was a damn bad answer. (Labour cheers and Con-servative protests.) Assuming she was not trying to mislead the House, let us get the facts right.

The pension increase of 19.5 per cent this year was made up of 17.5 per cent based on earnings, and the 2 per cent she pledged to give before the election to make up the shortfall. Now the figures have been published and that estimate was too low. I repeat the question : Now she has won the election and does not need the votes, does she propose to renege on the undertaking she gave before the election? (Labour shours of "answer".)

Mrs Thatcher — I am glad for that confirmation that pensions 20 up by 19.5 per cent this year. Against this, during the time the Labour Party was in power, it left out the three or four months rapid increases in the cost of living from that calculation.

that calculation.

Mr. Callaghan — It is clear Mrs. Thatcher has no answer to that question. In view of this increase and the concern that the Secretary of State for Health and Social Security (Mr Jenkin) has expressed about the link between prices and ahort-term benefits, there should be no decoupling between the price levels and the fixing of short-term benefits on employment, invalidity and sickness benefits so as to weaken even further the position of those people who are worst-off and are hit badly from electricity, gas and other prices. (Labour Cheers).

Mr. Thatcher — Mr. Callaghan

Mr Thatcher — Mr Callaghar knows we have to operate the law knows we have to operate the law as it is, unless and until the law is changed. One of the main factors in keeping general prices down is to try to get down the increase in wages. We would be plad to have his help in the steel industry to achieve that. (Conservative cheers.)

Warning that wine lake may lead to alcoholism

A warring that the promotion of wine consumption could lead to half Europe's population becoming alcoholics was given by a Labour MP at question time.

Mir Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab) had asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food what was the volume of wine pro-duced by the EEC member states 1979, what was the expected volume of production in five year's time, and what was the volume of the current surplus? Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minis-

Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Ministry of State, (North Angus and Mearns, C)—The Commission's provisional estimates for the 1979 wine harvest are 167 million hectolities for the three similaring states. Given the many uncertainties in-

Given the many uncertaintees in-volved, it is not possible to make tensible estimates of production five years hence. The Commission estimate the current structural surplus at between six and 10 million hectolitres per annum. Mr Hardy-On present trends and intentions over the next 15 years or

so such a level of surplus will be achieved as to make the problems of storage and its cost absurd or alternatively the promotion of a consumption such as to lead to half the population of western Europe becoming alcoholics by the end of 1990.

Mr Buchanan-Smith-That is precisely why we support the wine packwhich strikes at the root of the problem in trying to get some of the land used for the production of wine out of production. Mr Robert Atkins (Preston, North C1—Will the interest of English wine be protected? Mr Buchanan-Swith-The English wine producer is excluded from the package. We achieve encouragement in the consumption of wine in so far as those people who indulge in the home making of wine help in the supply of must from European countries.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody (Crewe, Lab)—Perhaps we could have Bur-gundy and one or two Beaujolais along with it. Mr Buchanan-Smith-That is an

No state finance given to games appeal fund

North, C) asked the Secretary of State for the Environment to provide support from public funds in consexion with British participa-tion in the next Olympic Games and the estimated amount of that support.

Mr Hector Monro, Minister with responsibility for sport, said in a written reply: The Sports Council and the Sports Councils for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are the only bodies through which financial support from public funds would be provided in cornexion with British participation in the next Olympic Games. None of these Councils have contributed to the British Olympic Association's

The Sports Councils do grant-aid governing bodies of sport for the coaching and preparation of their athletes. But it would be impossible to separate out the pro-portion of these grants spent on pre-Olympic preparation from those spent on preparation for other international and national sporting events throughout

year.

The Sports Council does, of course, consider requests from the BOA for administrative grant from time to does. The last occasion was March, 1978, when £45,000 was given. No, further request in the last occasion was given. the British Olympic Association's appeal fund from which the :est of

Code soon on disposal of pesticide waste

Strict controls and constant vig-ilance must continue to be kept on the introduction of new chemicals into agriculture. Lord Walson (Lab) said when opening a debate on the report of the Royal Commis-tion on Environmental Pollution sion on Environmental Pollution (Agriculture and Pollution). Innovations and new techniques were increasingly being used in farming and it was vital to ensure these brought far greater benefits than any damage they may do.

Agriculture in this country was able to claim one of the greatest records of productivity and increased profit as a result of these innovations. But these inpovations did carry with them very great dangers in-deed whether they be modern chemicals or fertilizers.

micals or ferbitzers.

There are dangers (he said) not only to the environment but to human beings as a result of residues both from ferbitzers and from toxic chemicals.

Without sprict controls these dangers toogle he much agents. dangers would be much greater. Without confining visitance with increased use and complexity those dangers will grow still more. dangers will grow still more.

New chemicals should be subjected, as the royal commission stated, to the most strict tests before they were allowed to be used and a constant monitoring should be carried out to see what long-term residual effects they had.

Lord Winstanley (L) said the cru-cial comment in the Royal Com-mission report was the criticism that the Ministry of Agriculture, Visheds and Early bad may looked far enough shead at agricultural Systematic studies and analysis of trends should be undertaken at regular intervals. Lady Birk (Lab), for the Opposi-tion, said sophisticated chemical changes needed constant reassess-

Where possible the use of pesticides should be reduced and the role of the advisory committee dealing with chemicals expanded. Lord Bellwin, Under Secretary for the Environment, said that although it was too early to give the Government's risponse to the report, it was welcombed as pro-tiding a new foundation for the development of policies on agriculparticular on the greater use of pesticides and nitrogen fertilizers and the trend towards more intensive farming of livestock. The royal commission was concerned about the scale of pesticide wage and the risk that excessive use could account the secondary the engagence of could encourage the emegatic of resistent strains of pests. It made recommendations intended to bring about a more questioning approach to pesticide use, to dis courage misuse and to encourage the development of a professional antitude to posticide application. The implication of the large in-croase in the usage of nitrogen fertilizers had bee nexamined by the royal commission. There was no doubt that that development had made some contribution to the rising nitrate levels in certain waters, particularly in arable areas, but the royal commission thought that on present information article over risks to public tion anxiety over risks to public health from greater levels of nitrate in water supplies was not justified. Further studies on it is in trates were recommended.

The Government had considered carefully what was said about the disposal of far wastes and was taking that into account in prepartacing that item account in prepar-ing a technical memorandum and code of practice on the disposal of pesticide waste which the Depari-ment of the Environment would be publishing this year in its waste management paper series.

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food accepted in principle that the agriculture development advisory services should have a greater involvement in the polytical aspects of agricultural pollution aspects of agricultural practice. In considering that there would need to be regard to the functions and responsibilities of the various pollution contro auth-orities and to the special relationship which existed between the he farming community.

Without prejudicing that rela-tionship there should be scope for making fuller use of the knowledge and experience of the andvisory services to tackle pollution issues and to see the problems of the pollution control authorities. Further consideration would be given to the way in which the role of the The debate concluded. House adjourned, 7.25 pm.

Deliveries of milk essential

Mr Ridley said later the Government had no plans to resume arms sales to Chile at present.

The Government would do everything possible to maintain doorstep deliveries of milk. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture. Fisheries and Food said, answering a question on the regulations governing the import of rilk into the United Kingdom asked by Mr Hilary (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C).

Mr Walker (Worcester, C1-Imports of milk are subject to United kingdom animal health legislation, and to our public health regula-tions, which lay down strict standards for the hygicalic production, packaging and heat treatment of milk. There are also regulations covering the labelling and size of containers as well as the minimum fat content with which imported milk must comply.

Mr Miller-Can he give assurance that there will be no relaxation of those standards and should there those standards and should there be any move towards harmoniza-tion of health standards through the EEC, will be insist as well on the treatment of packaging of imported milk for subsequent retail sale in premises licensed by local authorities? Mr Walker-Yes. The position is

that, in the single court case in-volved in this, the Advocate Gen-eral of the European Court stated-that we had every right to apply our own health regulations until there was a Community health reg-I see no prospect of a Comment would have to maintain present British standards. Mr Ivan Lawrence (Burton, C)—In the eventuality that by 1984 there will be harmonization of the im-port of milk regulations, can he give an assurance that he will do everything in his power to stop the abolition of door step deliveries, Mr Walker-Doorstep deliveries Mr Niget Spearing (Newham, South, Lab) said there should be not only a good price for the farmer but also a reasonable price for the distributor, in order to maintain deliveries.

Britain still training Iranians

About 30 transans were still being trained in Britain, the Prime Minister told the Commons at question time. Mr Robert Kilcoy-Silk (Ormskirk Lab) had said: As Mrs Thatcher has given strong public support to President Carter in attempting to apply statctions and put pres-sure on Iran in order to release sure on Iran in order to release the American bostages there, it is inappropriate that this country should be training Iranian military personel. How many are here and will she give an assurance today that they will be gone tomorrow? Mrs Margaret Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C)—There are a few people from Iran undergoing some kind of training here—something under 30. There are still some under similar contracts training in the United States.

Next week

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday; Debate on problems of the northern region. Opposed pri-Tuesday: Competition Bill. remaining stages. Debate on European Court of Justice.
Wednesday: Debate on the report Wednesday: Debate on the report of Morrison Committee on the mational health service.
Thursday: Debate on role of nuclear weapons in Britain's defence.
Friday: Private members' motions.
The main business in the House of Lords will be:
Tuesday: Southern Rhodesia

Orders.

Orders.

Wednesday: Debates on small businesses and on legislation relating to freshwater fisheries in Scot-Thursday: Protection of Trading Interests Bill, second reading. The budget

Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Leader of the House (Chelmsford, C), announced that the date of the Budget would be Tuesday, March

Parliamentary notices House of Commons

Consumer protection law defended European Parliament

The idea that EEC legislation to

Without such legislation he said, the damage to public health and the environment arising from industrial operations could often be on a disastrous scale. Such seemed to be the case with, for example, the contamination at Sevesa and with the transfer over shallowing. the contamination at Seveso and with the tragedy over thalidomide.

He was replying to Miss Gloria Hooper (Liverpool, ED) who had asked, on behalf of her group, whether the Commission assessed the costs to industry and the consumers of implementing directives in this area. Community industry found it difficult to compete internationally with the cost of excessive regulation.

protect consumers and the environ-ment simply added to the burden of industry and put up prices was rejected by Mr Richard Burke, Commissioner with responsibility for consumer affairs.

Miss Hooper said the group did not intend to suggest there was no case to be made for protecting the consumer or the environment. Bri-tish legislation was as advanced as

terested more than anything else in the price he had to pay for goods and services. They should ensure they obtained a cost analysis giving the fullest possible information on which to base decisions and decide priorities.

They should ask whether a parti-cular measure was really necessary and what would be its likely bene-

and what would be its likely benefit. If it was necessary and a clear
benefit seen, then they should ask
if the result was likely to be commensurate with the efforts and the
cost involved.
Mr Burke said it was simply not
true that Community regulations
unavoidably caused price rises. On
the contrary, certain kinds of legislation such as that on competition
and pricing led to price reductions.
When it did add to the cost of
production it was often by internaproduction it was often by interna-izing costs which would otherwise be borne externally—ie the pol-luter paid—and thus it contributed to the proper allocation of society's resources. There were other beneficial social and economic consequences.

The Commission sought to eval-

uate not only the costs but also the benefits for industry and other in-terested parties, citizens, consumers and workers, of the implemen-

Signora Vera Squarcialupi (Italy, Comm) said the consumer wanted guarantees which went beyond the matter of costs. Industry must increasingly show that it was in the service of the consumers.

Mr Stanley Johnson (Wight and Rampshire-East, ED) said smoking posed a severe threat to health and the damage it caused was a major burden to public finances. Progress had been made but over the last several years there had been no signs of any Community action on smoking.

Mr Hemmo Muntingh. (Netherlands, Soc) said the Conservative aroup thought the poor producers needed a helping hand. He could not accept that. The measures taken up to now were insufficient. More money should be spent on the environment, not less. Lord Harmar-Nicholls (Greater Manchester, South, ED) said it was wrong in these days of high costs to ignore the cost element which the consumer certainly always mobile to be a secure. into account.

Mr Burke said that on minking he would ask MEPs to await the statement at the February session on the Commission's future pro-

Europe leads on nuclear waste

Reporting that considerable im-provement had been made in the storage of radioactive waste and in radiological protection, Her Guide Brunner, EEC Commis sioner for energy and research, said that densely populated Europe was in the van of progress and the Community's research programmes on nuclear waste management and storage were making their contri-Herr Brunner said, however, that time was short right across the research spectrum. The crisis expected in 1985 was with them now and each moment wasted would be regretted in a few years

Parliament was considering a the Commission's proposed second five-year programme from 1980-84 on radioactive waste management The motion considered that the new programme failed to take into

priority should be given to the construction of storage and disposal facilities until such time as it was clear whether reprocessing was feasible on a large scale and could be kept under proper control. Frau Beate Weber (West Germany, Soc), rapporteur for the committee, said it was necessary to find a European solution to the storage and treatment of radioactive vaste, The amount of waste and present storage methods could not prec-inde danger to health and to the Mrs Winifred Ewing (Highlands and Islands, DEP) said the public had unquiet minds. Research was had inquiet minds. Research was at such at early stage they had to be open with the public. Some of the secrecy with which the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority ried to shroud the matter was most worrying, even to the extent of withholding accident statistics.

Mr Alastair Rutton (South of Scotland, ED) said the name of one of Galloway's mountains had

become a household word in the search for a site for nuclear waste disposal. With the use of emotive phrases like "nuclear dustrin" public fear had been skilfully mobilized to oppose nuclear power. Researchers must involve people in their work and explain what they wanted to do with nuclear waste.

The boffins and pressure groups the boffins and pressure groups. In the dark,
Air Madron Selignan (West Susses
ED) said if ecologists treated other
industries in the same way as they
did nuclear power, the pattern of
life would have to stop. Present
methods of storage and vitrification promised to be effective.

Voting on the president sales Voting on the resolution rakes place tomorrow (Friday) morning-MEPs also considered another report from the same committee with a resolution to appears the with a resolution to approve the

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research programmes in radiation protection. This programme would last until the end of 1984.

EEC proposal to tax imports of oil could benefit Britain

A tax on oil imports into the EEC is being considered by European Commission experts as a way of increasing Community budget revenue, reducing dependence on external oil supplies and boosting invest-ment in indigenous energy re-

If the tax were introducedand it is only one of several ideas under discussion—it could improve Britain's budgetary position markedly over a number of years, but it is not seen here as an enswer to Britain's immediate budget problem.
The idea is being pushed by
Herr Guido Brunner, the EEC

Energy Commissioner, who argues that in the present climate of uncertainty about oil supplies it is vital that the EEC should develop a more united should develop a more united energy policy.

Although Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the Commission, is understood to favour the scheme, there is considerable scentification.

able scepticism among other commissioners. It also scens likely to run into opposition from the French and the West Germans.

A tax on oil imports would kelp Britain in two ways. First, it would provide a new source of EEC revenue to which other countries would contribute much more heavily than Brit-ain, which can meet most of its oil requirements from North Sea supplies.

Second, North Sea oil would sell at a premium inside the EEC where the price would equal the world price plus whatever amount of import tax was imposed. In theory, this would give Britain an incoming would give Britain an incentive to sell more of its oil within the community and thus reduce the dependence of the EEC as

whole on external supplies. It is acknowledged that there are serious difficulties with such a scheme, not least the free trade obligations the EEC is bound to observe under the general agreement on tariffs and trade (GATT).

Herr Brunger argues, how-ever, that Arab oil-exporting countries might be persuaded that an import tax was in their interests since it would tend to reduce EEC consumption and slow down the depletion of Middle East oil reserves.

There are serious worries, however, about the effect of an oil import tax on economic growth in the EEC. Some commissioners also prefer the idea of a tax on internal energy consumption, which would not belt

The revenue derived from such schemes would be intended primarily for investment in developing energy resources in countries like Italy. Denmark and Ireland, which are particularly dependent on external supplies. But spending on the development of the coal industry could be of benefit to Britain.

Jenkins visit to Belgrade will show EEC concern

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Jan 17

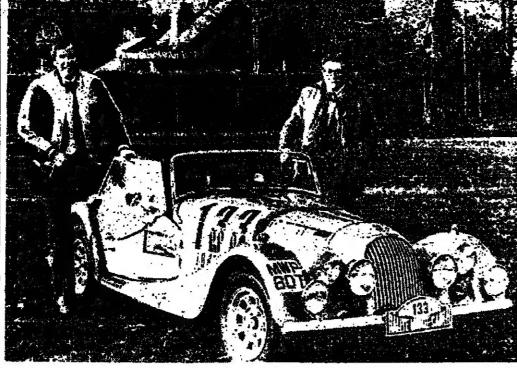
In a gesture of support for Yugoslavia, Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the European Commission, is to visit Belgrade about the middle of next month. The planned visit reflects growing concern in the EEC about the ill health of President Tito and possible Soviet pressure on Yugoslavia if the 87-year-old leader should die.

The hope here is that a new trade agreement, offering the Yugoslavs much more generous access than at present to Community markers, will have been concluded in time for cere-

monial signature by Mr Jonduring his stay in

EEC foreign ministers agreed in Brussels earlier this week on the need to offer Yugoslavia much bigger trade concessions than hitherto. Details have still to be worked out by the committee of member states' permanent representatives in Brussels. The commission will then have to reopen negotiations with Belgrade.

Yugoslavia's trade deficit with the EEC is running at an annual rate of more than



Philip Young (left) and his navigator Tony Ambrose in Regent's Park with their Morgan car, ready for the Monte Carlo Rally.

Energy experiment which Britain abandoned gets under way on a plain in Spain

Trapping a town's power from sun

From Harry Debelius

Tabernas, Spain, Jan 17 The construction of a solar power plant capable of gen-crating enough electricity to supply a small town got under way here today as an experi-mental project of the Inter-national Energy Agency (IEA).

Britain opted out of the project, the first to use liquid sudium as a heat transfer element and unique in its ability to contrast the effectiveness of different systems for capturing solar energy. It was initially funded by

Britain and nine other members of the agency but last May, after reviewing the design, Britain decided not to put up 20y more cash. The cost of £20m, including £15m for installation and £5m

for maintenance and evaluation, presumably discouraged the British Government from investing beyond the early research. However, as Mr Wilfried

Brasse, the project director, said, it is a prototype and it would be unreasonable to expect it to be cost competitive zers of the event, the sun with conventional systems at the moment.

The nine countries still Spain's Industry Minister, involved in the project are touched down at Almeira air.

involved in the project are Austria, Belgium, West Germany, Greece, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States. Contracts for material and systems have been met with preference to the fin-ancing countries. However a British company, Laing, is the main building contractor. A plain designated the "solar platform", was chosen because this is the sunniest part of

Europe with an estimated 3.000 hours of sunshine a year (compared with, for example, Sweden's 1,500 hours). However, a copy of the local daily newspaper Vos de Almeira, sealed into the cornerstone at the dedication ceremony today, carried a front page headline referring to

centionally cold, wet weather. Fortunately, for the organiport nearby about an hour be-

fore the ceremony.

The experimental suntrap consists of two parts. The first is a central receiver system composed of sun-following mirrors, known as heliostats, which reflect solar rays to a tower-mounted boiler to heat sodium for turning water into Steam to power a generator.
The other part is a collector
system which consists of a field
of two different types of of two different types of trough-shaped devices which concentrate the sun's rays on to a pipe mounted along the length of the suntrap.

Each system occupies about the space of half-a-dozen foot-ball pitches and contains about 2,600 square metres of reflecseveral villages in the Tabernas

Mr Martens carries on with weaker coalition

From Our Own Correspondent

Brussels, Jan 17 Mr Wilfried Martens, Belgium's Prime Minister, is once gether a disintegrating coali-tion only a week after he had appeared to have patched up a quarrel between its Flemish and 'alloon members.

The latest crisis was precipitated yesterday by the resignation or, according to less official but probably more accurate versions, expulsion of the small Brussels-based French

speakers' democratic front. This still leaves Mr Martens with a working majority, though not the two thirds majority necessary for the constitutional changes needed to complete the planned transformation of Belgium into a three-region federal

However, the next stage in the devolution programme will involve constitutional amendment, and Mr Martens is rying to soldier on with the remaining four parties in the coalition, the Walloon and Flemish wings of the Christian Democrats and the Socialists.
Success in this enterprise depends on the attitude of the Walloon (French-speaking) Socialists, who today demanded

assurances about the "irreversi-bility" of Belgium's division into three regions, Flanders, the Brussels area and Wallonia.

The principle of the three-way division has been enshrined in the Belgian constitution since 1971, but no agreement has ever been reached on the relative powers and status to be accorded to each region.

The French speakers accuse the Flemings of seeking to go back on this constitutional com-mirment, but the Flemings insist that they have never accepted that Brussels should be a region with the same rights and status as the other two.

Brussels is a French domin-ated enclave inside Flanders. and the Flemings, who are in a majority in the country as a whole, say they could never agree to a federal structure in which two out of three regions were French controlled.

The collapse of last week's agreement was provoked by disclosure of a secret pact between the French-speaking parties under which they would use their combined votes to delay legislation deemed inimical to the interests of Brussels or Wallonia.

This was denounced as unconstitutional by the Flemings.

Tempers fray at synod's debate of key issue

From Peter Nichols Rome, Jan 17

Tempers were noticeably (raying at today's session of the Dutch synod here which even the Vatican's cautious official phraseology described as taking place "in a spirit of

open frankness".

The participants were certainly frank about their own divisions and their objections to the Varican's handling of the Dutch crisis. The special synod summoned by the Pope has brought together all seven dinals belonging to the Roman Curia two Dutch members of religious orders, the Arch-bishop of Malines, a secretary and the secretary-general the International Synod of

they reached the Today essential bishops, are seriously out of line with the rest, and these two conservative members of

the beach were appointed by Rome against the wishes of the Dutch hierarchy, and in the face of vocal opposition in the dioceses concerned. They are Mgr Adrianus Simonis of Rotterdam and Mar Joannes Gilsen of Roermond.

This explains the harsh arrack by some of the prelates on the Roman Curia and, indirectly, on the late Pope Paul VI, who was responsible for two nominations. These appointments had brought in their wake "acute problems", it was asserted.

Two obstacles were seen to stand in the way of the colle gial functioning of the national episcopal conference. One wus the limit of formal competence placed on the conference itself, and the other was a different evaluation of pastoral ques-tions. All this, however, did not justify an approach to pas-toral problems taken without reference to the conference as a whole, the synod was told.

Europe MPs want say in choice of Commission

From David Wood

Strasbourg, Jan 17 Pressure is growing in the European Parliament this week for a say in the Council of Ministers' choice of commissioners to succeed Mr Roy Jenkins and his 12 colleagues when their four-year leasehold

runs out on December 31.
There is accompanying pressure, particularly among Conservatives in the European Democratic Group, for the Commission to be reduced in size to a president and one commismember countries:

In the parliamentary corridors it is freely predicted that the Council of Ministers will have to reach a decision on Commission candidates and the "portfolios" they want by early June. Mr James Scott-Hopkins, the Conservative leader, says that the European Parliament must ensure that national governments and the Council of Ministers fully con-sult members of the European Parliament.

That is not to say that the British contingent has yet set-tled on one candidate whose claims could be pressed on Mrs Margaret Thatcher, or on the Commission pertfulio that would be most relevant for

Britain.

As Mr Jenkins comes to the end of his stint, the presidency will pass from Britain, and it is probable that Paris and Bonn will support Mr Gaston Thorn, the former Prime Minister of Luxembours, and a profoundly experienced European politician well liked by the Parliament.

If the British Government

had only one commissioner to nominate for a reduced Com-mission, the European Democratic Group would urge Mrs Thatcher to choose somebody with an established international reputation and experience at the top.

In the extremely tentative

name-guessing audible in Strasbourg this week Sir Michael Palliser, head of the Foreign Office and former EEC Ambas-sador in Brussels, and Sir Richard Marsh, former chair-man of British Rail, have been mentioned. Nobody, however, is yet willing to give odds on either. The book remains to be

Parliamentary report, page 6.

King Alphonso's remains go home from Italy

From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Jan 17

The remains of Alphonso XII. grandfather of the present King of Spain, were today removed from the Church of Santa Maria di Monserrato where they were placed when he died in Rome in 1941. They were taken to Civita-vecchia and brought on board

set off for Spain. The remains are to be placed in the Escorial, the royal palace out-

side Madrid.

The departure was marked by a Mass concelebrated by Cardinal Bertoldi and the rector of the church. This church serves the Spanish community in Poppe and contains munity in Rome and contains the tombs of two Spanish

Signor Tommaso Morlino, the Minister of Justice, represented the Italian Government and Signor Antonio Maccanico, the head of state. The Spanish delegation was led by the Count of Barcelona, son of Alphonso

Dutch homosexual fights loss of his US visa

From Robert Schull Amsterdam, Jan 17.

The entry visa to the United States of a homosexual has been annulled by the American authorities, Mr Bear Capron, aged 29, an American who took Dutch nationality in 1978, lost his visa after he told the Con-sulate General of the United States in Amsterdars that he homosexual".

As far as is known Mr Caprou is the first Dutch citizen to suffer the consecitizen to suffer the consequences of the recent decision by the American Department of Justice to refuse admission of Justice to refuse admission to foreign homosexuals.

Mr Capron has asked a firm of lawyers in the United States to fight the decision in the American courts. Mr Harry van den Bergh, a Dutch Labour MP, has called on Mr Christoph was des Viscours Christoph van der Klaauw, the Foreign Minister, to lodge a protest with Washington.

Mr Capron took the initiative of informing the Consulate

In the

red corner Herbert

Marcuse.

In the blue corner **Talcott**

Parsons.

Swedish sociologist, Göran Therborn adds up the points contributed to Twentieth Century thought by the opposing theories of two of its most significant social thinkers who died last year.

Also in this week's Times Higher Education Supplement:

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General of his sexual preferences. He had aiready received his visa for the United States

After reading recently about the American measure he went to the consulate authorities to inform them of their "mis take" in granting him the visa.

He left bis passport behind
and when it was returned to him a week later his visa had been annulled.

Most of the main political parties and many leading per-sonalities in The Netherlands have condemned the American measure which was announced by the United States Immigration Service at the end of December.

Recently, members of the Recently, members of the Dutch homosexual movement donned police-style uniforms marked "Homo Squad, Holland" and interrogated arriving American passengers at Amsterdam airport as to their sexual preference to demonstrate the humiliating effect of the American measure.

Strasbourg gain might mean Luxembourg loss From Our European Political Editor

Political Editor

Strasbourg, Jan 17

The managerial bureau of the European Parliament last night made a decision that will shock the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. It announced that all meetings of the Parliament up to June this year will be held in Strasbourg and that no other meetings will be arranged until the parliamentary demand for a single site has been resolved.

In effect it means that Luxembourg may have lost the battle to share parliamentary meetings with Strasbourg although an expensive new parliamentary building has just been completed with 500 seats on the Kirschberg site.

Rebel historian appointed to Spanish Cabinet

Madrid. Jan 17.—Señor Ricardo de la Cierva, the his-torian, has been appointed Minister of Culture, replacing Señor Manuel Clavero who re-signed in a dispute over home rule policy.

rule policy.

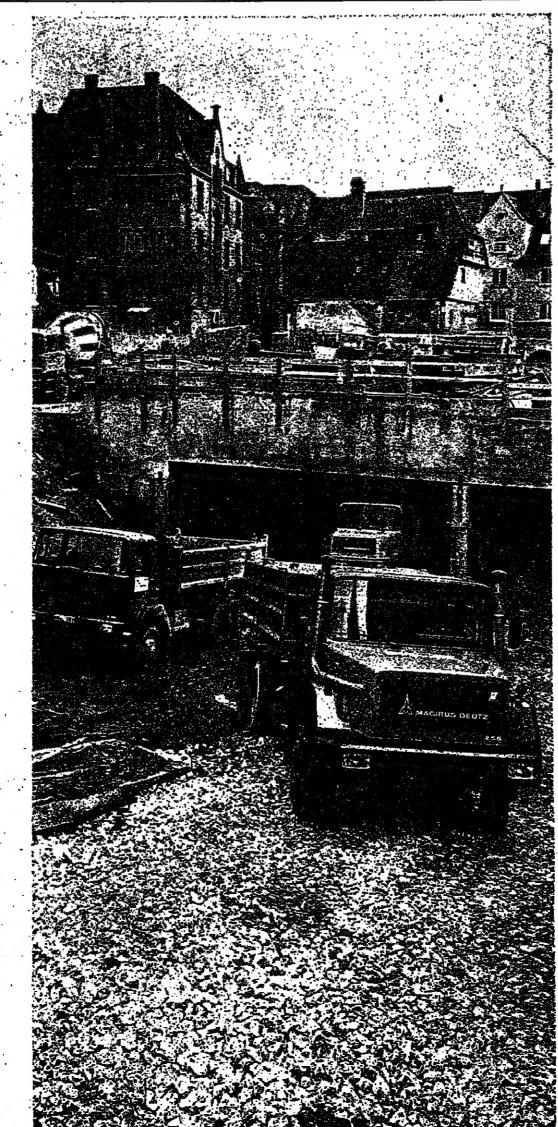
The appointment of Senor de la Cierva, a high official in the Information Ministry in the Franco years, was accompanied by a minor Cabiner resbuffle.

Senor de la Cierva, the author by a minor Cabiner reshuffle.

Senor de la Cierva, the author of several books on the Spanish Civil War, wrote an article entitled "What a Mistake, What a Huge Mistake", after Dr Suárez was appointed Prime Minister in July, 1975.—UPI

Budget approved

Paris, Jan 17.—After repeated birth-pains, the French budget has finally come into existence. The 1980 budget was voted today by the Senate, which approved expenses of 525,000m francs (£58,333m) and a deficit of 31,000m francs.



On January Ist, 1980 Iveco (UK.) Limited was created.

Fiat, OM. Lancia, Unic and Magirus Deutz united to form Iveco. Together they represent 350 years of manufacturing experience. Working as one to broaden their research, they produce a highly specialized range of trucks and buses that are above all safe, reliable and economical to run. Truly a sharing of traditions, resources and technological know-how.

And an international dealer network with years of experience working alongside hauliers.

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On January 1st, 1980, Iveco (UK) Limited was created from Fiat Commercial Vehicles Limited and Magirus-Deutz (Great Britain) Limited. This further move enables Iveco to reinforce its position in the U.K.
The trucks and networks of both Fiat and
Magirus-Deutz will thus get a stronger support: greater efficiency, better service and better availability of spare parts. From now on, running Fiat and Magirus-Deutz trucks will be easier still for you, with Iveco's broadened organisation behind you.



Herr Schmidt pledges support for US but will see Mr Brezhnev

From Patricia Clough Bonn, Jan 17

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, today pledged West Germany's support for United States sanctions against Iran and the Soviet Union as an absolutely reliable ally and

reduction and control.

He said he still intended to meet President Brezhnev and Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, as planned over the next two or three months. "We must make it clear where we stand . . . To this purpose we must talk to each other."

West Germany will increase its already sizable aid to countries it considers threatened by the Afghanistan crisis, in particular Pakistan, India and Turkey. He recalled that government ministers were already involved in talks on cooperation

with the Gulf states.
The Chancellor, who was making a formal statement to Parliament on the international situation and its domestic cou-sequences, did not go into the question of West Germany it-self joining in sanctions against Iran and the Soviet Union. These matters which are being discussed with its Community and Nato partners, raise many Apart from West Germany's huge business interests and fears for the West German community in Iran, the Govern-ment has to consider the cost to its relations with the Eastern block.

Chancellor's speech the Government's despite temporarily foreign policy: complete loyalty to the United States ("irreplaceable for our security") and to save and

Air attacks

near Kabul

shake city

The sound of bombs exploding and artillery fire boomed across Kabul today as Soviet military sircraft wheeled above

the city, apperently on bombing missions egainst tribesmen in

mountains near the Salang

The explosions could be heard almost every 20 seconds

explanation for the new out-burst of fighting—the nearest

conflict to the city since the Soviet backed coup here last December, Some of the explo-sions shook the windows of my

Whether by coincidence or design, the Afghan authorities also chose to expel all American journalists from Afghanistan today. An official from the Afghan Ministry of the Interior,

who refused to give his name, actived at the Intercontinental Hotel, where most of the

western press are staying, and ordered all American corres-pondents to leave the country

The expulsions came after

some extraordinary stenes in the lobby of the hotel last night

when United States journalists refused to hand over their pass-ports for "registration" to Afghan officials.

A thud echoed through the mountains and from over the

mountains and from over the ridge in front of us a puff of grey smoke rose into the blue sky. Big Sadoo beamed happily and pointed with his AK rifle towards the town of Khowst spread out in the distance below.

"Boom", he said. "Tam. Tam. Tam. Tam", and his hand went down in a crushing movement towards the shale on the mountainside.

Sadoo was introduced to us

yesterday as one of the leader heroes of the Mujahedeen. A

heroes of the Mujanedeen. A bull of a man, with a huge black beard, his eyes smiled with pleasure as he talked of the 80 or more men he had killed since taking to the hills to fight against the Communist Army in Afghanistan.

He has a plastic bead garland

woven round the end of his gun because, he says, he wants to beautify "God's weapon" which he is using to kill the "enemies of Islam" in his country. The Sadoo group, he says, is up to 1,000 strong.

We met Sadoo at what was described as his group "office" in Miran Shah, the capital of

North Waziristan, across the border in Pakistan.

The six main groups of Mujahedeen fighters all have offices in Miran Shah and it is impossible to visit one without

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Afghanistan, Jan 17
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From Robert Fisk Kabul, January 17

continue its policy of détente and peace in Europe. Many overtones in the Chancellor's speech appeared not unconnected with the fact that West Germany has

that West Germany has Bundestag elections this autumn Herr Schmidt, who has made himself a reputation as a "absolutely reliable ally and friend".

At the same time he promised that the Government would step up its efforts for peace in Europe and for detente and would persist in efforts for arms reduction and control.

"ade himself a reputation as a cool operator in times of stress, said what was needed was "carefully thought our crisis management". A calm approach by the Government was not "pussyfooting"—a charged levelled by the Opposition—and loud words were not West Germany's style.

He reassured his countrymen that their security is guaran-teed by Nato and the United States. Therefore we do not need to have fear during a

Despite the effects of the energy crisis, West Germany had entered the new year in an economically "good starting position". Experience had shown that West Germans were capable of preserving their stability in times of crisis. The Chancellor said he was confident about the future. fident about the future. Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the

opposition chancellor candidate, criticized the Government but maintained a highly cautious position himself. *Only a fool would want any other policy but that of detents and peace, he said. But European government and head all but a said. ments had dulled their public's awareness of the real nature and intentions of the Soviet

Since 1970 Moscow, he said had been conducting "naked, brutal, power politics" on a global scale. But he was con-vinced that it did not want a third world war. Real détente, he said, re-

quired a military balance and not "politico-psychological neutralization" or a reduction of the nation's will to defend

The Soviet Union must be made to realize that it has to conflicting interests, to remain pull its troops out of Afghanitrue to the two fundamental principles of West German actions of this kind or détente foreign would collapse completely.

US protest

of reporters

at ousting

From David Cross

Washington, Jan 17

Russian military machine and Soviet mistake, page 14 Leading article, page 15



The deposed Shah of Iran at his refuge on Contadora Island, Panama, with Mr David

Russia accused of coveting Iran

Tehran, Jan 17.—In the strongest Iranian attack so far on the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, Mr Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, the Finance Minister, has accused Moscow of wanting to divide Iran and push on to the Indian Ocean. His attack was part of a campaign speech published today by the official Pars news agency. Mr Bani-Sadr, a lead-Tehran, Jan 17.-In the Persians and Arabs are also ing contender for the Presi-dency, said: "They want us to be divided rather than united so that they can capture the divided parts, as they did with

He was speaking last night in the oil refinery city of Aba-dan on the gulf "In their opinion the Turks in Islamic governments are a minority. The Baluchis, no discrimination".

Republican Party (IRP) candidate whose Afghan origins have disqualified him under the terms of the constitution.

Mr Bani-Sadr, a member of Mr Sant-Sadr, a memoer of the ruling Revolutionary Coun-cil added: "We must pave the way for the uprising of the deprived nations and change the political map of the world. In Islamic government, there is

He said is was not the time to remain silent on what he called the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan or on the depreda-tions of the United States all over the world.—Reuter.

Court's deadline: The World Court at The Hague today set February 18 as the deadline for Iran to present its defence against the United States case concerning the occupation of the American embassy in

The next hearing will involve the substance of American claims that Ican should be condemned for violating international law. The court said Iran could apply for an extension of the time limit.-Reuter.

Lord Carrington plays down Gulf minister differences with India

today to put a good face on the sharp difference of opinion between Ericain and Mrs Indira Gandhi's Government on the Soviet intervention in Afghani-

matters worse.

British officials were horri-

fied by the outspoken and un-qualified endorsement of the Soviet case made by the Indian representative at the United

Although India, mindful no doubt of the bad impression

A lurching mile or so up a rocky river bed we passed a

field gun and an anti-tank gun and some tents. They had been captured from the Russians, we were told. At the first village

called Gulamkhan we were met by two men with rifles who hospitably offered us warm bread and who offered to kill a

sheep for us for lunch. We

At the next village of Musha there was more bread and posing for pictures beside cap-

tured anti-tank weapons. Then it was off on foot up into the hills to watch the battle. The

climb was long and steep, and before we reached the top Sadoo was lagging behind and

When he caught up he pointed out with pride the hill-side where he said he had surrounded a tank squadron with 12 men and had killed 80 soldiers.

Sadoo said he was sorry. Had we given him 24 hours' notice of our visit he could have

arranged for us to have scen

This day trip into Afghanis-tan with the guerrillas was just

one of many tours at present on offer by the rival groups. Their representatives can be seen in the lounges of Peshawar hotels touting for journalists.

All-in tours of anything up to a month are there for the asking but colleagues who have taken long "walks", as they are called, tend to return dis-illusioned. Fighting is going on, but it is inconclusive and meaningless without the chance

What is clear from even the

shortest of trips is that the areas which the mujahedeen

of an overview.

some fighting at close range.

drove on

The United States today deplored the expulsion of American journalists from Afghanistan and announced that it had lodged a formal protest with Kabul against the There was scope for "differences of perspective", but there was "no room for disagree-A State Department spokes-man said the action by the Soviet authorities and their Afghau "puppet" administra-tion was a "clear sign that they

with to deny the United States public information about what

is really happening in that country". In spite of the continuing hostility between Washington and Moscow, however, the United States and Soviet ambassadors are returning to their posts tomorrow.

Describing the military situation in Afghanistan, the spokes-man said that fighting in the eastern part of the country was intense and control of the area remained "critical" for Soviet and Afghan troops. Nationalist forces throughout the country continued to cut vital lines of communications and Soviet troops were having to concenght trate more and more on keeping ists roads open. There were reports of more civil unrest in the city of Kandabar after a lull during

Rebels run day trips across border

being taken to see all the

Claim succeeds claim with each group trying to outbid the others. Each group says it has killed thousands of Afghani

soldiers—and at least a few dozen Russians and knocked down many tanks, jets and belicopters. Each group claims to have tens of thousands of supporters. And each group also asks the press to say that they want and anticipart

want anti-tank and anti-aircraft

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The whole atmosphere in Miran Shah is unreal Everyone is armed with weapons that would cost at least £100 yet everyone is in rags. The children walk barefoot in the freezing mud of the streets. Even the most luxurious "office" has no heating, and most groups entertained us on the roof because they had no lights inside.

Yet everywhere we were escorted by a hand-shaking, happy crowd, intent on making sure we understood their need for anti-tank weapons. In the local hospital there were two wounded Mujahedeen in the only ward open. Both said they

only ward open. Both said they could scarcely wait to get well to get back to the fighting.

These are tribal lands, where the British Raj drew the line between India and Afghanistan.

The tribesper are all allowed.

The tribesmen are all allowed

to carry guns—nobody would try to stop them. Smuggling is a traditional and honourable way of making a living. The

border does not exist for them. For foreigners it is, however, difficult to travel. Roads are blocked by a chain, a soldier and many administrative

With Sadoo as an escort bor-

der formalities were minimal.
Holding his gun aloft he
laughed: "This is my passport", as we crossed the
Durand Line in a red Toyota

lorry into Afghanistan.

hurdles.

From David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent Delhi, Jan 17 Lord Carrington did his best danger to the region, talking to reporters after her 45-minute conversation with Lord Carrington. And in speeches today, she indicated that the danger to India came from the United States rearming Pakistan.

"India does not support any foreign intervention any-where", Mrs Gandhi said today, speaking in Hyderabad. "But in the case of Afghanistan the Revolutionary Council of that country had invited the

"Britain and India both want to see Soviet troops out of Afghanistan", he said. "Neither of us has a ready-made prescription of the best way to achieve The crux of the different The crux of th

opinion is that Britain believes. and Britain, which formerly in taking the strongest possible line in protest against the Soviet line in protest against the Soviet line is dependent on the action, while the Indians counsel restraint to avoid making matters worse.

Soviet Union for arms. If Pakistan ever raises the issue of Kashmir again, India wants

Russian support.
Lord Carrington tried today
to reassure Mr P. V. Narasimha
Rao, the Indian Minister for external Affairs, that American help for Pakistan was a different thing, in the present contex, from a threat to India. Britain itself is not an arms supplier to Pakistan.

created among other non-aligned countries, abstained in the final The American arms credits. vote there is no doubt that Mrs the Foreign Secretary added, at Gandhi herself stands very close She refused to condemn the were h Soviet Union or say that Soviet that Paggression underlay the present India. were hardly of a size to suggest that Pakistan was any threat to

By John Hennessy

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Lord Killanin, president of
the International Olympic Committee (IOC), was unmoved
yesterday by the exchanges in
the House of Commons, during
which the Prime Minister said
that there should be concerted

action to try to have the Olym-pic Games moved from Moscow. "We have a contract with

Moscow and, as there has been no breach on their side, we have no intention of going back

on our word", he said,

He added that if he received
an approach from the British
Government be would have to

point out that under Olympic rules "we do not deal with

governments but with National Olympic Committees in the various countries. A British approach to the IOC would have to come from the British Olympic Association.

Sir Denis Follows, chairman of the association was more

of the association, was more forthright: "If there are any games held anywhere else", he said, "they will be in opposition to the Moscow Olympics

and not a substitute for them.
We cannot rat on our agreement. And, by international law,
they couldn't even be called

Olympic Games, because of the

"They would not be attractive to athletes because the standard would be very much

lower than some regional games, the Commonwealth Games for instance."

Meanwhile, a Hands Off Afghanistan Campaign has appealed to Lord Killanin to

find another site for the games. The all-party group says in a

letter that interference in the Olympic Games should not be

claim to courtol are near the borders and in the hills. The towns and roads seem well in world revulsion at the Soviet countries do so, sports officials

the control of the new regime. action, but that the games can said.

Olympics president rejects

Games.

Prime Minister's appeal

fears new colonial era

Bahrain, Jan 17 .- The Soviet intervention in Afghanistan has opened a new colonial era, and Moscow's strategy is to get closer to the oil producing areas, Shaikh Muhammad bin Muharak al-Khalifa, the Foreign Minister, said in an interview with the newspaper Akhbar Al Khaleej.

which refused to sanction the Soviet intervention in Afghani stan, will strengthen its de-fences to face the tense situation, President Nicolae Ceau-sescu said today in a broadcast monitored in Vienna,

rest that the country would re-equip its Army and step up training of workers' militia and para-military youth groups to defend national independence and sovereignty.

The call for new arms for the Romanian Army was all the more significant because the President has long opposed the international arms race and Warsaw Pact spending in-creases.—Reuter

not remain unaffected while

Soviet troops stay in Afghanistan. The campaign insists that

Governments should help the ICC finance the transfer of the

France: M Jean-Pierre Soisson.

the Minister for Youth, Sports and Leisure, declared that

"France will go to the Olympic Games in Moscow". There was, he said, no reason for a French boycott (Our Paris Correspon-

dent writes).

"The Olympic Games are not organized by governments, but by the International Olympic

Committee which chooses a city

and not a country", he said.

M Maurice Herzog, one of
the French members of the
International Olympic Committee and a former Minister for
Youth and Sports, declared last

night on television "that it would take a decision by the

United Nations to jeopardize seriously the Moscow Olympic

The Netherlands: Mr Chris van

der Kkaauw, the Foreign Mini-ster, said the Dutch Govern-ment should not take a deci-sion now on a boycott. In his view it was a question for the sports organizations

China: Mr Soong Zhong, head of the Chinese Olympic Committee, has told Japanese journalists that China might participate in a boycott, the Kyodo News service said in Tolym

Stockholm: The Swedish Olym-

pic Committee said it supported Lord Killanin in his view that

it would be impossible to move

Kuala Lumpur: Malaysia may

sports organizations.

Washington, Jan 17 He told an audience in Bucha-

agreements. After a meeting between President Carter and Mr Hosni

Last week in Aswan President Sadat and Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, failed to make any discernible progress on Palestinian rights.

sentenced for murders involv-ing shooting strangling, club-bing, knifing or burning their victims. Some Nablus settlers ready to leave site

He said the judges should continue to sit in cases where it might be necessary to impose

the death penalty.
All 11 reprieved men were

Tel Aviv, Jan 17 Elon Moreh settlers voted early this morning to give up their hold on a site south of Nablus, which an Israel Court ruling said had been requisitioned unlawfully, and resettle at another site east of Nablus prepared for them by

OVERSEAS____

Lord Soames, the Governor for

his recent decision to commute the death sentences on 11 con-

The decision aroused considerable criticism here from Bishop Abel Muzorewa's Uanc party and from whites, particularly Mr Christian Andersen, the retiring Minister of Justice.

Mr Justice MacDonasd, confirming two new death sentences, said in his judgment the country's judges were "bewildered" by the Governor's action and were seeking guidance on the issue.

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"It is not of course, possible for the judiciary of any country to carry out its very important

functions if sentences passed in strict conformity with the law are nullified by an execu-tive as a matter of course, and

if this were done a very serious and quite impossible situation would arise."

The judge said the death

penalty could not lawfully be abolished by the exercise of the prerogative of mercy. This

victed African murderers.

The decision aroused

leniency towards

convicted murderers

the Government.
The settlers and the Govern-ment denied "a deal" but the Government is now expected to take steps to ensure that other.
Jewish settlements in the West
Bank are not similarly evicted.
Doubts about the future of Israeli settlements were raised by the Supreme Court judgment in the Elon Moreh case. It noted the land had been requisitioned by the military government and said that under the Hague Convention eli operation. tions by the military govern-ment were valid only for the duration of the occupation. The Camp David agreement between Egypt and Israel calls

for the transfer of authority from the military government in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to an Arab Administra-tive Council but the parties have not agreed on what authority should be transferred. The Israelis want to keep control of security and other matters.

Mr Vitzbak Zamir, the Attorney general, has prepared a document giving all the options concerning the status of the

territories from doing nothing to annexation. Mr Samuel Tamir, the Minister of Justice, has said the Cabinet would not take up the matter as long as the Elon Moreh settlers continue to dely the Supreme

Court ruling.
Gush Emunim, the militant organization that sponsored Elon Morch, had linked compliance with the court order with their demand for a change in the legal status of the territory so that the terms of the Hague Convention should not apply. Elon Morek sattlers said today they were persuaded to end their three months' resistance to the move pertly by 30 Knesser members, one quarter of the total, who pledged in writing to press for legislation for a change in the status of

They said they were also satisfied that Mr Begin, the Prime Minister, had been persuaded that something must be done and added that they wanted to avoid a confrontation with the armed forces.

the territories.

The Government twice post-poned deadlines for their eviction but appeared deter-mined to enforce the next one at the beginning of next month However the danger of a confrontation has not passed. The vore to leave was by 45 to 15 and the minority said it would resist moving, claiming there were applicants for settlement willing to replace those who agree to be transferred.

Judge attacks Soames | Labour MPs angry at decision on Chile

could only be done by an altera-tion to the law. To use the pre-rogative of mercy as a de facto method of abolishing the death penalty would be a grave abuse of the power which the preroga-tive conferred.

"It is not to be assumed that such a use was made of the Mr Peter Shore, the Shadow spokesman on foreign affairs, led a groundswell of protest last night against the Governlast night against the Government's decision to restore diplomatic relations with Chile to ambassadorial level. The protest was amplified by a statement from Amnesty International which termed the decision a "deadly blow" for the cause of human rights in Larin America. "It is not to be assumed that such a use was made of the prerogative in commuting the death sentence passed on the 11 murderers", he said.

"The judges should accept whatever misgivings may be entertained at present, that a policy of automatically commuting all death sentences has not been adopted by the executive, that the prerogetive of mercy in each of the 11 instances was exercised in accord with the principles underlying the prerogative and within its limitations, and that there has been no impropriety on the part of the executive".

He said the judges should

Latin America. In spite of Foreign Office disclaimers, there was no doubt that the decision to exchange ambassadors with Santiago would be seen as approval for one of the chief oppressors of human rights victims in Latin America, said Mr Cosmas Desmond, the director of the British section of Amnesty International.

Noting that the ambassador had been withdrawn on a human rights issue, the arrest and torture of Dr Sheila Cassidy, Mr Desmond said that the previous government was strengthened in its resolve not to return the ambassador because of another specific case involving a British passport holder, Mr William Beausire.

He was kidnapped in Buenos Aires, his British passport torn up, then flown back to Chile in a military aircraft where he was tortured for months until his health was broken and then he disappeared for good.

"We have repeatedly pointed out to Mr Nicholas Ridley, Min-ister of State at the Foreign Office with responsibility for Latin America, that we do not maintain that diplomatic relations should be determined by human rights considerations.

"But in the case of Chile a definite link between human rights and diplomatic relations has already been established. To ignore this is implicitly to condone not only the dis-appearance of William Beausire, and at least 1,500 other victims. but also the legal impediments to realistic investigation into the discovery of corpses of dis appeared people in no fewer than five separate locations in

hile."
Mr Shore said that the decision to post an ambassador to Chile indicated that in Britain's view there had been an improvement in the conduct of the regime.
This was not the case, an

opinion shared by the United States, he said, since only a month ago the American Embassy in Santiago had been reduced in size, trading credits cut back and military supplies

cut_off. The recent human rights report from the United Nations indicated that "the regime was more tyrannical than before". According to reports from Chile torture is still widely used by the secret police

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US pressure to Israel jails soldier again settle issue of Palestinians

From Our Own Correspondent

The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan has reinforced Washington's determination to persuade Israel and Egypt to resolve the Palestinian issue by the end of May as originally envisaged in the Camp David

Mubarak, the Egyptian Vice-President, in Washington today the two leaders issued a statement which "stressed the im-portance they place on sustained movement in the (Palestinian) autonomy talks".

Tatry to achieve an agree-ment by the end-of-May dead-line, Mr Sol Linowitz, Mr Carter's special Middle East envoy, is broadening a trip he envoy, is broadening a trip he was originally due to make to Israel later this month to encompass visits to moderate Arab states like Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Morocco, These are all countries which would almost certainly be more willing to join an informal regional security cooperation pact with the United States once the question of Palestinian autonomy was resolved

nomy was resolved
President Carter is considering building what is being called a strengthened framework for regional cooperation in South-West Asia. A key element would be the use of existing military installations in existing military installations in pro-Western countries in North Africa and the Near East, as well as Kenya, Oman and Somalia,

for objection to posting From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, Jan 17 Mr Daniel Amir, an Israeli that Mr Amir, the only member

Army private who recently released from prison on January completed a 35-day sentence in 2 and returned to basic trainable to serve in the occupied terrisent to serve in the occupied terrisent to serve inside the territories was this week sentenced to a further 35 days imprisonment on the same charge.

Mr Amir is one of a group

sory military service.
It was disclosed here today

Tour operators fail to advise on mosquito risk' From Our Correspondent Geneva, Jan 17

The World Heath Organiza-tion is critical of European tour organizers now taking large numbers of people to African countries, north and south of the Sahara, without impressing upon them that precautions against mosquitoes are essen-

"Unfortunately, public health authorities in many countries are lax on this," Dr Paul Bres, chief medical officer of the WHO viral diseases unit, said today. He pointed out that mosquitoes are frequently car-riers of different bacterial or viral diseases, in addition to Malaria. These include Rift Valley fever, formerly known only as a disease among sheep and cattle.

of the ad hoc group so far en-rolled into the Army, was released from prison on January Senior Israeli Army sources claim that the problem of sol-

of 27 young Israelis who diers refusing to serve in what to firm high school last administered territories is summer that they would refuse to serve in either the occupied West Bank or the Gaza Strip when a Jerusalem journaduring their three-year computations of the problem of sorting that the problem of sorting diers refusing to serve in what the problem of sorting that the problem of sorting that the problem of sorting that the problem of sorting the problem of sorting that the problem of sorting the problem of sorting that th ant received a 14-day prison sentence on a similar charge.

Reward offered after killing of Greek policeman From Our Correspondent Athens, Jan 17

The Greek Government is offering a reward of 8m drachmas (£100,000) for information leading to the arrest of men who shot and fatally injured the deputy chief of the police riot control squad and his

Police Superintendent Pan-telis Petrou and his police driver Sotirios Etamoulis were stopped and fired on while driving to the officer's home from his office last night. The officer died almost immediately from six bullet wounds and the driver died early today in hospital after

Pakistan insists on Islamic talks

A government statement today said the objection was unfounded. The holding of the conference on the day Egypt and Israel establish relations would, on the contrary, focus the attention of the Muslim world on the inalienable right to self-determination of the people of Palestine and give fullest support to it.

The conference has been that these foreign ministers called to consider the issue absent themselves from the

said that after the adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of a resolution calling for the withdrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan, "it now behoves the Islamic con-ference to make a construction now behoves the Islamic con-ference to make a constructive contribution towards facilitat-ing a speedy withdrawal of foreign forces and enable the people of Afghanism to resolve their political problem, promote national reconciliation and exercise the right to a govern-ment of their choice".

by Syria, the other countries and the PLO to seek the cancellation of the Islamic foreign ministers' conference was made at the instance of the Soviet Union and the Pakistani Government apparently expected it. Indeed, Pakistan may prefer

may otherwise cause embar-rassment by voicing dissent Mr Huang Hua, the Chinese Foreign Minister, is arriving in Islamabad tomorrow for five days of talks with Pakistanl leaders and officials mainly on

For Pakistan it is a significant factor that for the first States and China, apart from most of the Western countries. on its side in a dispute with a ...

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The armed men left behind a long statement arracking the riot squad for "armed anni-

of Afghanistan. The statement Islamabad conference as they

From Hasan Akhtar

The Pakistan Government has rejected a call by Syria, Libya, Algeria, South Yemen and the Palestinian Liberation Organization to cancel the holding of the Islamic foreign ministers' conference in Islama-bad on Friday next week. They asserted that the proposed conference would detract the attention of the Islamic states from the establishment of rela-tions between Egypt and Israel.

It is believed that the move

spillover in the region.

It is hoped that Mr Huang will brief Pakistani officials outhe Sino-American understanding reached during the recent visit to Peking of Mr Harold Brown, the American Defence Secretary on the strategic Ch

world. neighbouring regime.

Secretary, on the strategic co-operation in meeting the new development in this part of the

FOREIGN REPORT

France's non-conformist

Mr Trudeau kept out of spotlight as Canadian Liberals run safe campaign in expectation of victory

Ottawa, Jan 17

Canada's Conservative Government, which held office for anly six months before being toppled on a House of Commons confidence vote on Desember 13, is fighting an uphill battle to retain power in the general election on Febru-

ary 18.
Opinion polls have convinced most political observers that only a dramatic reversal in voter preferences between now and the end of the election campaign can prevent the Liberals, led by Mr Pierre Trudeau, from being returned to office.

The Liberals are so convinced they have the election sewn up that they have Mr Trudeau, the former Prime Minister, conducting what amounts to a noncampaign. The strategy is to keep Mr Trudeau under a low profile, to avoid drawing him into the spotlight, and above all to minimize the chances of his making any disastrous mistakes.

Thus Mr Trudeau has been treasiling account. travelling across the country making set-piece, low-key speeches, doing his best to embellish the wide-held picture of Mr Joe Clark, the Prime Minister, as a weak, ineffectual leader, and generally steering clear of strong policy positions clear of strong policy positions.
It is a clear-headed strategy, based to a considerable extent on the realization that, outside his native Quebec, Mr Trudeau is at best an uncertain asset. Intense voter antagonism towards him in English-speak-

to power, and the antipathy has far from dissipated. The most telling demonstra-tion of the Liberal approach came just a few days ago, when Mr Trudeau refused to take part in a nationally-televised debate with Mr Clark and Mr

West of a new series of arrests

and trials of Soviet dissidents comes information of a decision

by the Soviet Supreme Court which is unprecedented in a

In a move which may be aimed at the increasingly hlat-ant tendency of the KGB to fab-

ricate evidence and blackmail

witnesses, the court has annul-led a three-year sentence im-

posed last June on a dissident Rostov worker because of the

many violations of legal pro-cedure committed by the local

A new investigation has been ordered into the case of Mr

Edward Kuleshov, who never-

Group to Assist the Implemen-

which began to function in 1976,

has been most heavily affected

in the new wave of appression.

a povelist and former member of the Writers' Union, has now

been sentenced to nine years' imprisonment and exile. At

Yury Litryn, Petro Sychko and Vasyl Sychko—have received

three years each. And five other members-Mykola Hor-

bal, Vitaly Kalynichenko, Vasyl

Striksiv, Petro Razumny and Yaroslav Lesiv—bave been

Despite these developments.

and a series of officially in-spired physical assaults on other

members who remain free, 15 new members have recently

other trials three members

Its leader, Alexander Berdnyk

tation of the Belsinki Accords

Meanwhile, -the "Ukraine

theless remains in jail.

By Peter Reddaway

political case.

ing Canada contributed to the Liberal defeat in last May's election, which brought a min-

ority Conservative Government

Ed Broadbent, leader of the moderately left-wing New Democratic Party.

Whether the Liberal strategy mens on December 11 by Mt

works may depend on how suc-cessful the Conservatives are in making English-speaking Cona-dians understand that the alternative to the reelection of a Conservative government is a return of Mr Trudeau. This reality has to some extent been lost sight of in the welter of attacks on Mr Clark.

The Conservatives could also try to capitalize on the fact that Mr Trudeau would be in a

Mr Trudeau would be, in a sense, a lame-duck Prime Minister. He has pledged that this will be his last election, whether he wins or loses. This means that Canadians are being asked in vote for a party without knowing who will be its leader two or three years from now.

Mr Trudeau had already announced his resignation from the leadership of the Liberal Party when the sudden fall of the Government induced him to reconsider, and fight one more election.

reconsider, and fight one more election.

Mr Clark, for his part, is facing enormous difficulties in this campaign. Just 40 years old, he is considered by many to be too young to be Prime Minister, and for evidence they point to his reputation for indecisiveness and for policy inconsistencies, not to mention broken promises, while he was in office.

Among other things he failed

Among other things, he failed to deliver on electoral pledges to stimulate the economy through widespread tax cuts. The debacle over his promise to move the country's embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to lerusalem further undermined Conservative credibility.

Mr Clark is, however, an carnest and hard-working campaigner, not lacking in courage and tenacity,
The overriding issue in the

campaign, apart from the ment recommends personalities of the party status for Quebec.

Surprise legal decision may be aimed at KGB excesses

Amid reports reaching the forced to emigrate and act as on which he has published a vest of a new series of arrests representatives abroad. book and several articles. In Manual Control of a decision a long-standing Ukranian dissipation of a decision a long-standing Ukranian dissipation of the Manual Ma

dent close to the group, Yury Badzyo, Formerly a headmaster

and a party member, he has had to work since 1971 as a porter

in a bread shop.

In 1977 his 1,400-page manuscript on the history and prospects of the Ukranian nation

disappeared in mysterious cir-

cumstances. A year later, 400 pages of the rewritten text were confisceted during a police

istic." Now they have brought him 12 years' imprisonment and exile for "anti-Soviet agita-

In Moscow the latest KGB

targets have been a substantial

literary-political sanizdat jour-

nel called Searches and an

unofficial seminar on religious

After a year of severe police harassment involving many in-

terrogations and house searches

the journal has now had two of

its editors arrested. They are Valery Abramkin and Viktor

The Christian Seminar, which was founded in 1975 and pub-

lishes the samizdat journal Community has already had eight of its members taken into

various forms of captivity in

the past year. One of these, its

founder, Alexander Ogorod-nikov, recently completed a

camp sentence. But he did not go free, as he now faces new and more serious charges of

Soon after this, on Christmas

Day, seminar member Lev Regelson was arrested. He is

an authority on the history of

" anti-Soviet agitation "

philosophy.

Ukrainian dissidents sent to jail

McCartney tour off and he goes back to jail servatives are sticking by the budget presented in the Com-

overthrow of the Government

two days later.
It proposed to more than

double the price of crude oil in Canada over a four-year period, and levy an immediate 18 per

cent a gallon increase in the

petrol excise tax. The Conserva-tives insist that such increases

were necessary to promote

conservation and move Canada

towards energy self-sufficiency. The Liberals and New Demo-

crats oppose the excise rax in-

crease, and would raise the now

artificially-low price of crude oil in easier stages. Similarly, both opposition parties are against the Conservative plans

to break up Petro-Canada, the state-owned oil company, and sell parts of it to the private

In the area of social security, the Liberals have promised to hoost old-age pension supplements, paid to the needlest pensioners, while the Conservatives pledge to tweeten a plan, introduced into the last Parliament but never passed, to grant

ment but never passed, to grant

home-owners an income tax

credit for mortgage interest and

property tax payments.
Ouebec criticism: The Parti
Québecois has been swift to
denounce the policy document,
published last week by the
Quebec Liheral Party in which
it proposed greater provincial
participation in the central
Government with the creation
of a new body, the Federal

of a new body, the Federal Council, and restriction on uni-

lateral intrusion by the federal Government in provincial

Mr René Lévesque, the Premier of Quebec, called the document "a heaven-sent gift"

for his party because the docu-

Moscow Helsinki group by charging Mrs Malva Lander, a

slander. In Lithuania a Catholic

activist, Julius Sasnauskas, has

been arrested in the same case

as the previously arrested Anatanas Terleckas. Here the

apparent aim of the authorities is to cut the links between the broadly based Lithuanian dis-

sent movement and the human rights groups in Moscow.

a Crimean Tatar leader. Reshat Dzhemilev, has been jailed for

three years in Tashkent: three members of a "Movement of

Revolutionary Communards" in Leningrad have been sen-

Other dissidents have been arrested in the Kuibyshev.

starropol and Vladimir regions; and, among many new Bantist cases, Anatoly Runov of Gorky region has been interned in a prison psychiatric hospital and four Kiev Baptists have received

sentences of three, seven. 10 and 12 years on what they have

consistently said are trumped

Christmas, Against this background of

increasing all-round oppression, the annulment of Mr Kuleshov's

sentence is all the more surpris-

up charges.

three years' imprisonment.

Elsewhere in the provinces.

with anti-Soviet

have been the Russian Orthodox Church,

geologist,

provincial

Tokyo, Jan 17.—Paul McCartney, the former Beatle, claimed claimed the marijuana he smuggled to Japan was intended mons on December 11 by Mr John Crosbie, the Finance Minister, which resulted in the for his personal consumption, and that it was less toxic than alchohol, narcotics officials

> Mr McCartney was arrested yesterday at Tokyo's inter-national airport for allegedly trying to bring in eight ounces of marijuana and underwent over six hours of questioning

The narcotics agents who es-corted Mr McCartney back to the police detention centre after the police detention centre after the questioning were forced to withdraw into the building as about 200 young people barred the way screaming. "Paul, Paul", Rior police were ordered to the scene and two fire engines also attended, in answer to a hoax telephone call, officials said.

Mr. McCarmer, aged 37 who

call, officials said.

Mr McCartney, aged 37, who came to Japan for a 11-day performance tour with his wife, Linda, four children and his group. Wings, will spend his second night in Japan at the detention centre, the authorities said. But narcotics officials are not saving whether Mr McCart. not saying whether Mr McCart-new will be referred to the Tokyo district public prosecu-tor's office for trail or whether tor's office for trail he will be deported. Officials of the Ministry of

Justice have not excluded the nossibility of deporting Mr McCartney because, they say, he had not legally landed when he was seized. If prosecuted, Mr McCartney could face a prison sentence of up to seven years under Japan's stringent drug laws.

drug laws.

He is said to have told investigators that he felt marijuana is less toxic than alcohol and that he intended to smoke it privately during performances. The concert tour has been cancelled. He was accompanied by a Japanese layer during the questioning, which was conducted in English.—UPI

Mr Marcos ousts minister

Manila, Jan 17.-President Marcos, of the Philippines, dismissed his rebellious Minister of Information today and challenged the political oppusition to try to overthrow him by a coup.

He told a televised press conference that he had asked Mr Francisco Tatad the Minister of Information, to go on leave and submit his resignation, accusing him of using the office to enrich himself.

Mr Marcos said he had orgered Mr Tatad to turn over all his functions to Mr Gregorio Cendana, the director of the National Media Production Centre, who was named just before the press conference as acting Minister of Information. that he was ready to resign but denied the allegation of corruption.

Mr Tatad had caused a political storm by openly cam-paigning his home province of Catanduanes against Mr Marcos's ruling New Society Movement in the local elections to be held on January 30, the first since the declaration of martial law in 1972. Mr Marcos also said he had

reports that the Opposition was talking of a coup. "I would like them to try a coup," he said.—

Among the Pentecostalists Bishop Nikolai Goretoi, the leader of their emigration movement for the past four years, was arrested in the north Caucasus just before Turkish lawyer shot dead by attackers

Ankara, Jan 17.—The prose-cutor of Artova, in Tokat Province, was shot dead by unknown attackers last night, and two students were murdered in Istanbul. Three bombs caused damage also in Istanbul last

Sources said Mr Ilhan Aktah. the prosecutor, was shot several times in the back and died a short while later in at a Mospi-

Sixty-three people have died in Turkey's prolonged wave of political violence this year. More than 2.600 have been killed in the last two years.-Agence France-Presse.

Bombay mass arrest Bombay, Jan 17.—More than 1,500 people were arrested in Bombay last night in a drive against crime. Police said those detained included boorleggers, prostitutes and gamblers.

Deserting Vietnam troops captured in Thailand

said today. The Vietnamese who claimed

to be artillerymen were armed with automatic rifles when captured in Chantaburi Province, 170 miles south-east of Baugkok, A few hours later Thai marines further south captured

appeared to have prompted their escape from Vietnam.

where extremists of the right with Europe and the main ter-

Troops fire at Costa Rica strikers

From Paul Rutler

of Agence France-Presse San José, Jan 17

Troops opened fire on striking banana plantation workers system.
yesterday at the Atlantic coast The port of Limon as fear of communist infiltration and the threat of strike paralysis gripped Costa Rica, long considered the "Switzerland of Latin America ".

At least eight people were wounded when the Civil Guard answered a barrage of stones with rounds of fire-deliberately aiming low at the strikers' legs, according to senor Juan José Echeverria, the Minister of

the Interior.

"The decision to open fire was absolutely the right one, and we will do the same again if other strikers try to stir up trouble," said Senor Echeverria, who is responsible for the 6,000-

and left are accusing each other of conspiring to bring down its long-standing democratic The trouble started just

before Christmas, when 20,000 workers of the American-owned Standard Fruit Company called a strike in the plantations, demanding shorter working hours.

Standard Fruit gave in to most of the workers' demands, but added conditions which the strikers found unacceptable.

The shooting broke out just as some 5,000 rail workers, dockers, medical staff and other employees in Limon threatened a total work stoppage if the Government failed to settle the banana plantation strike. The Costa Rican Confederation of Democratic Workers in turn threatened to launch a nation-

minal for imported oil. Odio President Carazo recently accused local communists of "playing Moscow's game." He had expelled two Soviet diplomats blaming them for a strike in Limon last sum-

Earlier this week the Costa Rican authorities announced the expulsion of "communist agitators, three Cubans, a Bulgarian, a Yugoslav, and a citizen of El Salvador-and arrested 120 strikers.

The fear of communism has been roused here by the up-heavals in Central America in the past year, which has seen the overthrow (with Costa Rica's help) of the Somoza dictatorship in Nicaragula, the threat of civil war in El Salvador, and renewed activity by extreme leftist guerrillas in Guatemala.

union leader

asked recently. The lively, questing, non-conformist secretary-general of the leftist Confedera-tion Française Democratique du Travail (CFDT) had just dropped another brick into the placid waters of conventional left-

'Should Edmond Maire be burnt?" the

left-wing magazine Le Nouvel Ohservateur

wing thought. It had caused enormous ripples of self-righteous indignation. In an interview with a provincial newspaper he had said that under present circumstances no matter who was chosen s candidate of the Left, he would be

defeated.

Naturally he was accused by the Communists of deliberately choosing failure and playing into the hands of the Right; and the Socialists said he was spreading despondency. Only one Socialist leader has the courage to say that M Maire had only said out loud what almost everyone on the Left was thinking in secret—that so long as the Communists chose to with-draw into their political ghetto, there was no hope for the left at the polls.

This is not the first time since 1974, when he took responsibility for the second accest trade union organization in France. that M Maire has disconcerted left-wing trade unionists or politicians by his unconventional and provocative stand on the great issues of the moment. He was never very enthusiastic about the now defunct Common Programme of the Left. "Anti-capitalism," he said at the time, "does not automatically produce socialism with-out a conscious mobilization of the workers

for a socialist project." In 1978, after the defeat of the Left in the parliamentary elections, he set in motion a "recentring" operation of his union, designed to reemphasize the frontier between political and labour action, which had become blurred.

He was naturally accused by the Com-munist CGT union organization of "social democratic deviation", an ironical charge for a trade union leader always branded as "leftist" in the part because he cam-paigned for such dangerous ideas as worker participation in management, and

democracy on the shop floor. M Maire, who is still only 49, does not fit into the accepted categories of French society, or heed the conventions of French politics, left or right. His mind is always casting about for original recipes for old problems and doctrines, compounded with a sharp admixture of realism. He likes playing with new ideas, instead of keeping to well-trodden paths, but he knows when not to push them too far, even if his unruly militarity de militants do not.
I asked him why the CFDT was regarded.

by the overwhelming majority of employers as far more dangerous than its Com-

munist rival.

"Because we put the most difficult questions to the employers. We want to change the organization of work in industry, to give the workers a say in it. Most employers want the unions to confine themselves to traditional issues like wages and conditions, and not question the power



M Edmond Maire drops another brick into placid waters.

structure in plants. Worker participation is a source of great hope to the working class movement today, by contrast with the perversion of state socialism of the East, and of state capitalism in the developing

"But we must bring it down from the heaven of Utopia to the solid ground of reality. A concrete, very practical approach to worker participation is the best way of solving some of the problems meing modern industrial society, of promoting modern ideas of association, of shared responsibility. It does not mean workers electing their managers, or taking over the control of plants; but it does mean getting away from the traditional view that the experts do the thinking and the people do the work."

Worker participation is the key to

M Maire's industrial philosophy-the word is not too pretentious in his case; he has written a couple of books about it. It boils down to the view that you cannot decree change, transform society or industrial relations only from above.
"You cannot come to grips with the

present economic crisis merely through nationalizations or social measures". M Maire insists. "Nationalizations are only an instrument. They don't tell you what to do or how. You can only change society by modifying patterns of production and consumption, and international trade." Change had to come from society itself, from associations, trades unions, parties, and not merely from leaders and institu-

His condemnation of the nostrums of the common programme of the Left is very similar to that of M Michel Rocard, the challenger in all but name, of M François Mitterrand for the Socialist ticket in the

presidential elections. Both come from the leftist intellectual PSU. Both combine a questioning of accepted left-wing ideas with a startling degree of realism; and for this reason, both are highly suspect to the Communists and the more docurinaire

Socialists, M Maire emphasized: "You don't change patterns of consumption or pro-duction, merely by legislation. You need a strong popular mobilization for a social project. That's why I said the Left had

had it if nothing changed.

Worker participation is a dimension of action, not a distant Utopia. I prefer to look at it as a collective movement, in which everyone has a part to play. Otherwise, it is reaching for the moon.

At present, he thought, there was a strong temptation for all left-wing parties to escape from the harsh realities of the economic crisis into ideology and verbalsm, "because the type of solution called for requires the surrender of privileges and established positions. The French Left is trying to win the elections by the addition of discontents. It hopes the mistakes of the Right will insure that power fulls into its lap.

"It's a very bad attitude. The Right always has alternative solutions on hand. The Left can only win by demonstrating its virtues and the relevance of its proposals. Today, only realism is revolu-

Fine theories or more anathemas were

Fine theories or more anotherias were not enough. It was not enough to condemn the country's present leadership if the Left had nothing to propose instead.

In a period of crisis like the present, people were worried, and their reaction was one of conservation. They were attracted by those who reassured them. There were very efficient forces at work in the present regime. The Left had to appreciate this and the capacity of Frenchmen to this and the capacity of Frenchmen to grasp economic problems. It was not enough to speak of the "noble and gen-grous left", in the style of the Third Republic, to assure people that wages and

the standard of living would go up.

The Left must have a strategy for the reorganization of the textile and steel and shipbuilding industries, for the future of the South-west (threatened by Spain's entry into the EEC), for the development of exports. For instance, in the case of steel, the CFDT acknowledged that all existing jobs could not be preserved, and

all production units kept going.

The "recepting" of the CFDT policy meant a break with the line followed until 1978, when the unions were in tow of political parties and hoped to achieve their aims by the Left's victory at the polls, It meant putting trade union logic at the centre of the labour movement again. The unions must act today, for results today in scopping unemployment—not in 1981 or 1983. "Recentring means reorientating trade union action to take into account the realities of today's economic situation", he declared.

Charles Hargrove

Population in Asia's giants: Indonesia

Staggering cost of transmigration

To kook at the map, Indonesia Though the map shows an does not appear to have much of a population problem, Cerof a population problem. Certainly the total population of the archipelago is some 140 million, but with the people spread over 13,677 islands, running 3,000 miles from west to east, one would imagine that land would not be lacking. To

a large extent this is 50. Indeed, over the past five years the rate of population growth has fallen from 3 per cent in 1975 to about the 2 per cent mark. In 1976, it was 1.98 per cent, in 1977 2.02 per cent and last year it fell to 1.9 per cent. This year the figure is expected to be 2 per cent, a figure which the Government

plans to hold to until at least 1983. Indonesia's birth control programme has been among the most successful in the Third World as these population figures show. Other Third World countries, such as Bangladesh, have sent teams to study

Jakarta's methods, Jakarto's methods,

The statistics of the programme, started 10 years ago
in Java and Bali, are
indicating an impressive, indicating an average 15-18 per cent reduction in the birthrate over the period. Of the 25 million fertile women, 70 per cent used the contraceptive pill, which young women start at the age of 15.

Though the map shows an practically no preparation resettlement of 2,500,000 people enormous spread of land, it Families and individuals were away from the Java poulation cannot show Indonesia's real

The problem is that Java attracts Indonesians from all over the republic. It is the centre of government. It is far and away the most highly de-

It is considered the heart of Indonesia, but it is a heart that is being seriously overworked. In 1976, Java was supporting 62 per cent of the country's population on only 6.6 per cent of the land area. This well over the 70 million population that the island can support, according to Government pro-

The Indonesian answer to the problem is transmigration, a far-reaching and controversial solution.

The idea of population transfer in Indonesia is for from new. The Dutch tried it in 1905, but for imperialist economic reasons rather than population pressures, when they moved Javanese to southern Sumatra to work.

The Indoresians took up the

idea in 1956, when it was pro-posed to resettle 40,000 people under a five-year programme But the project was ill-planned and ill-executed. There was

Now the picture is different. There is extensive assistance

from the United Nations and the developed countries in the surveying and preparation of sites. The West Germans are helping in Kalimantan, the Americans and the Dutch in Celebes, and there is also an the state of the sta EEC project. The British and the Dutch are giving assistance in Sumatra. Foreign investment has been

brisk. Between 1958 and the end of last year a start has been made on 2,861 domestic invest-ment projects and 795 foreign investment schemes providing jobs in agriculture, forestry, fishing and hotels. At present, Britain is involved in 43 projects worth nearly £50m, while lapan is too of the league of foreign investors with holdings worth over £1,000m.

The Indonesians are working

hard at interesting foreign in-vestors in other projects which will back up their transmigration policies.

The third stage of Jalarta's programme, code-named Repel-ita III, began last year and will run for five years at a cost of

taking which will involve the

shipped off to outlying areas, centres.

north Sumatran, he typifies the dynamic, go-getters from that island, who hold many important posts in Indonesia. The authorities work on the

basis that an average family consists of five people and calculate that the cost of resettling such a family at £2,200.

This figure includes the cost of essential infrastructure, such: as simple housing roads, bridges and the clearing of virgin land, so that the newcomer can start straight away to cultivate crops and make the family self-supporting on the two hectares of land that are allocated. There is firancial support from the Government until each unit is able to support itself.

Despite the more enlightened approach to resettlement now evident, the programme is not without its critics. But it is hard to fault the Government's contention that transmigration should contribute to what it sees as one of its primary duries the unification in Indonesia's multifarious peoples

David Watts.

Threat from 'young' producers

loped countries would buy raw tinned rice pudding to them.

The theory worked well in the years of empire, and still applies today. Some of the rea bought by British companies is graded, tasted and packed in Britain and then sold in teaproducing countries.

that it did not permit developing countries to catch up with the developed. In its most priman Civil Guard. The country wide strike.

As Costa Rica's only real yesterday reporting that "destribe authorities reflects the tension in this hitherto peaceful country in this hitherto peaceful country.

The tough line taken by the authorities reflects the tension is the processing of their own rice pudding.

As Costa Rica's only real yesterday reporting that "destribed advance to the processing of their own rice pudding.

All is now changing, and a

new species, the newly industrialized country, known as Nic, has been added to the vocabulary of the science of social progress. The world was once divided nearly by analysis into developed countries, like those of Western Europe and North America, and developing or less developed countries, like those of South America and much of Africa.

Those two categories remain, Nics. They have been joined by Nics. They are countries like Singapore, South Korea and Mexico, where industrial advance has been so fast that they threaten the much older manufacturing sectors
Europe and North America.

new world economic order for food in the opinion of Dr Albert Simantov, director of food and agriculture for the Organization for Economic Conceration and Development in Paris. The organization promotes the growth of world trade and of the economies of its member countries all of which are in the West.

ideas early this month in a paper so important that it was almost universally ignored. The attention of delegates was riveted on more parochial issues like the green pound and the price of land.

Dr Simantov believed that

able for export was now produced in the developed countries, notably the United States, Canada, France and

tieth century in the Far East". Dr Simontov said. "My expectation is that the growth of livestock consump-tion in Japan will be shared equally between home noducers and overseas spoliers." He expected Japanese import

demand to be aimed mainly at sovabeans and grain for live-stock feed. North America is the main supplier of both in world trade. He did not see much scope for sales in lapen the foods for which the REC suffers its most expensive "Some of you may be surprised to hear that even Japan "But I am not very hopeful has had surpluses of milk . he added.

"There is no reason for the livestock economy of the USSR not to become more efficient. I would not be surprised to see up high cost food industries of the USSR becoming again a their own." marginal exporter of cereals. As for China, if pig consump- progress towards, his new tion was to increase to levels order, however. A glance of close to those of Jaran or the labels on television scia South Korea, that would make remandous increase. But the shops will show that we do Chinese economy is not in a buy from Nics goods that position to finance the necessary import of feedgrains."

from the Nics, he believed, urgent agricultural needs ".
"We know what rapid industrial flags Classes trialization means", he said.

"There is a period in that pro cess when agriculture in the country concerned cannot antisfy the food requirement. Cereal imports by South Korea "Japan has become the are now bigger than those of United Kingdom of the twentieth century in the Far Dr Simantov believes that a

new order was needed to make nations more interdependent, but he feared that moves in that direction would be himdered by protection of anti-quated industries by developed countries.

He saw little hope that the developed countries would buy manufactured goods from the Nics and thereby allow them to huy food raw materials to meet the growing dietary demands of their peoples. "We shall have to accept imports of

that the Nics will be allowed to export substantially to our markets. They will therefore not be able to buy feed from the West and will have to ser There are some signs of

and tape recorders in British would once have been made in Europe. On the other side of He also saw limited in the coin, the Rayal Agricultures in fond imports by unal Society of Britain is oil-producing states because about to send a small team to they had so little fertile land. Mexico to promote the Royal The greatest increase in Show as the ideal international demand for food would come market place for Mexico's

Hugh Clayton

joined the group. It now has a total member hip of about 30, two of whom, General Pyotr Grigorenko and Miss

arrested.

tests rose

Nuclear bomb

n Britain.

Cholera in Zambia n Kapura district near the aire border in Zambia's

forthern province.

to 53 last year Stockholm, Jan 17.—Fifty-three nuclear bomb tests were

conducted last year, five more than in 1978, the Swedish mili-tary observatory at Hagfors said in its annual report today. The Sovier Union carried out 28 tests, one more than in 1978, and the United States 15 (five more). Of the remainder France had nine at its testing ground at Mururoa in the Pacific-more than ever before—and Britain one, using the American

facilities in Nevada For the first time in the decade China exploded no bombs compared to three in 1978, the observatory said.
Since 1970 a total of 421 tests has been registered, of which
191 were Soviet, 154 American,
55 Franch, 15 Chinese, five
British and one Indian.
Out of the total of 1,218 tests

since the first one at Los Alamos, New Mexico, on July 16, 1945, more than half, 651, were conducted by the United States.—Agence France-Presse.

Bangladesh study Dacca, Jan 17.—Sir David McNee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, has arrived in Dacca on a week's visit to Bangladesh to study community problems. He will tour some of the home areas of the 130,000 to 150,000 Bangladeshis settled

Lusaka, Jan 17.—Cholera has illed 21 people in two weeks

From Our Correspondent Bangkok, Jan 17 Thai forces have captured four more Vietnamese soldiers who appear to have deserted from their army in Kampuches, a supreme command spokesman

68 heavily-armed Khmer Rouge guerrillas in Trat Province.
The Thai authorities say more than 50 Vietnamese soldiers have deserted in the past six months.
Refugee officials reported to

day a new influx of Vietnamese boat refugees. They said more than 100 had landed on Thailand's south-east coast in the past 48 hours. Favourable

past 48 hours. Favourable weather in the South China Sea

It used to be said that deve-

materials from the less developed, process them into finished goods and sell them back. The idea applied to food as much as to other goods. Britain, the theory had it, would buy rice from its colo-nies and dominions, and sell

The flaw in the theory was

The Nics are the key to a

Dr Simantov outlined his

the traditional economic order should be reversed. The rapid growth of population outside developed countries and their demand for a hetter and more varied diet meant that the de-veloping world could no longer All is now changing, and a export food. Most food avail-

Bombers' claims against police struck out

McIlkenny v Chief Constable of West Midlands and the Home Hunter and Others v Same and Chief Constable of Lancashire

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Goff and Sir George Baker Sir George Baker

Six men, found guilty of murder in connexion with bomb explosions in Birmingham in 1974, were held by the Court of Appeal to be barved by issue estoppel or as an abuse of the process of the court from bringing actions for assault against the police in respect of alleged acts of violence which they had maintained at their trial had made their statements of confession involuntary and inadmissible. At "a trial within a trial" they had alleged that the statements had been induced by violence and threats by the police, but Mr Justice Bridge had found that they were voluntary statements made without violence by the police. Their appeals against conviction had been dismissed by the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division.

Their Lorships, in reserved judgments, Lord Justice Goff dissenting on Issue estoppel, allowed appeals by the defendant

issenting on Issue estoppel, llowed appeals by the defendant gainst Mr Justice Cantley's dis-tissal on November 22, 1978, of missal on November 22, 1978, of their applications to strike out the statements of claim of the plaintiffs, Noel Richard Mc-likenny, John Francis Walker, Robert Gerard Hunter, William Power, Hugh Daniel Callaghan and Patrick Joseph Hill, who were convicted of the murders of 21 people when a public house was bombed in Birmingham on November 21, 1974.

During the hearing it was ad-

During the hearing it was admitted on behalf of the Home Office that the plaintiffs were assaulted after their admission to prison on November 25, 1974, and that as a consequence of such assaults the plaintiffs sustained some injury. The Home Office did not admit the circumstances of such assaults. It was stated for the Home Office that if it was the sole defendant (a) the Home Office would not and did not allege that such injuries as the plaintiffs might prove to have sustained by assault were occasioned otherwise than in prison; and (b) that it was liable for such injuries as the plaintiffs might prove to have sustained by assault were occasioned otherwise than in prison; and (b) that it was liable for such injuries as the plaintiffs might prove to have sustained by assault. By writ of November 14, 1977. Power claimed against the Chief Constable of Lancashire damages for injury and suffering caused by assault and battery at Morecambe police station between November 21 and November 23, 1974, and against the West Midlands Chief Constable similar damages for assault and battery at Morecambe police station between November 21 and 23, at Queens Road police station, Aston, the central lock-up, Steel House Lane, Birmingham, and at Winsor Green prison, Birmingham, between November 21 and 25, and battery of the Home Office, for similar injuries caused by assault and battery of the Home Office, their servants and agents and by their negligence and/or the assault and battery of the Home Office, their servants and agents and by their negligence and/or the Home Office between November 24 and 26, at Winsor Green prison.

Mr Michael Turner, QC, and Mr Patrick Twigs for the Chief Constable of the West Midlands; Mr Hugh Carliste, QC, and Mr Poton Laws for the Home Office: Mr Twigs for the Chief Constable of the West Midlands; Mr Hugh Carliste, QC, and Mr Bock Tansley for Mr Hunter; Mr David Turner-Samuels QC, and Mr Rock Tansley for Mr Hunter; Mr David Turner-Samuels QC, and Mr Rock Tansley for Mr Hunter; Mr David Turner-Samu

that on Thursday, November 1974, two crowded public es, "the Mulberry Bush and nonses, "The Millorry Bush and the Tavern in the Town", were devastated by bombs; 21 people were killed and 161 injured. A newspaper was warned of the bombs as \$2 pay Police at New Street railway station, quite close to the bombed premises, found that a train had left for Belfast at 7.35 pm, about 20 minutes before the bombs went off, with many Irish passengers on it. They had reason to suspect five of the passengers. Lancashire police met

passengers. Lancashire police met the train at Heysham, 200 miles away. Four of the men were arrested as they came through the barrier; the fifth on the Irish boat. The five were taken to Morecambe police station.

Birmingham police went to Morecambe, interviewed the five men on the Friday, and in the evening drove them to Birmingevening drove them to Birming-ham, where they were detained at Queen's Road police station. The same night the police arrested. Callaghan,

Callaghan.
On the Saturday the six were further interviewed. They all made statements, some in writing, some by word of mouth, admitting their parts in placing the bombs.
The crucial point was that, apart from those confessions, the police had no sufficient evidence un which to charge, let alone convict the men. There was nothing but suspicion of the vaguest kind. The statements were visil. Were but suspicion of the vaguest kind. The statements were vital. Were they obtained voluntarily or not? they obtained voluntarily or not?
The six men were photographed on the Sunday at Queen's Road police station. The photograph of Walker showed a dark look under his right eye which might be a bruise. Later that day the six were taken to the lock-up at Steel House Laue, Birmingham.

House Lane, Birmingham.
On the Monday they were brought before the magistrate. Two "duty solicitors" undertook their defence. They saw them in the cells, Some compiained that they had been beaten up by the police and pointed to scratches on their chests: but those scratches might have been inflicted by the men themselves. They did not complain of any blows to their faces. Walker explained his black eve by saying that he bad black eye by saying that he had fullen. In court no one noticed any marks on their faces except Walker's black eye

Walker's black eye

The men were remanded in custody, taken to Winson Green prison, arriving at about 11.15 am, received by the prison officers, examined by the prison doctor, and retained in custody.

When, three days later, the six again appeared before the magistrate there were gasps of astonishment. They had been beaten up. Their faces were black and blue. The papers were full of it. The men were again remanded in custody.

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The prison governor held his own inquiry. His officers made written statements that the menhad bruises when they were first brought into the prison. Their statements, if believed, would go to show that the police had beaten them up before they were received into the prison, though it might be that the prison officers also beat them up.

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Dorset, DT4 8EH Tel.: 030 57-75300 The Home Office was so concerned that Mr Owen, a senior police officer from Lincolashire, was asked to carry out an inquiry. He reported on May 13, 1975. His report had not been disclosed.

The six men were tried before Mr Justice Bridge and a jury at Lancaster. It took over 10 weeks, There was evidence of the men's movements on November 21 and traces of explosives found on two or three of them; but it was quite insufficient to warrant a conviction miless the men's statements were admitted in evidence.

The judge so told the jury, saying that, apart from the statements, he would not have left the case for their consideration because the other evidence, although raising suspicion, "still fell a long way short of anything file a long way short of anything file a long way short of anything the continue of privity said that

The judge so told the jury, saying that, apart from the statements, he would not have left the case for their consideration because the other evidence, although raising suspicion, "still fell a long way short of anything that anyone could possibly regard as more". as proof ".

Were the statements admissible evidence? Counsel for the men objected, saying that they had been induced by violence and threats by the police. The judge held a "trial within a trial". threats by the police. The judge held a "trial within a trial". It took him eight days and in a reasoned decision covering 15 pages he said: "Certainly, according to the police evidence, no sort of violence was used and no sort of threats addressed to any of the prisoners. . . On the other hand the defendants all give evidence, with the exception perhaps of Callaghan, of gross personal violence being used to them. . Ail of them, including Callaghan, complain of the most outrageous threats as to what would happen to them or, in some cases, their families . . all allege that the whole of the police evidence . . was substantially fabricated . . . It is an inescapable conclusion that there is gross perjury being committed on one side or the other".

One fact emerged clearly. The six men were badly bruised when they appeared in court on Thursday, November 28. If the police were not occasioned while they were not occasioned while they were in police custody—up to their appearance in court on Monday, November 25—but must have been caused while they were in the custody of the prison officers on and after November 25.

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The men's counsel called the prison doctor, Dr Harwood, who said that he observed many bruises on the men but that not one of them could have been caused after the men had arrived in prison. The judge disbelieved him entirely, describing him as a "most unsatisfactory and evasive witness". Dr Harwood had since died.

Counsel could have called some of the prison officers; he did not do so.

do so.

Mr Justice Bridge accepted the evidence of the police winesses. He said he was satisfied that they give honest and accurate evidence and that the confessions were voluntary; and he ruled them to

voluntary; and he ruled them to be admissible in each case.

The confessions were, therefore, given in evidence before the jury. All the allegations of violence and threats were gone through again, the six men. The judge sentenced police denying them. In his summing up the judge said: "Beyond any shadow of down perjury of the grossest kind was being committed on one side or the other." The jury convicted each of the six mitted on one side or the other.". The jury convicted each of the six men on the indictment of 21 counts of unarder. If the jury took heed of the summing up, they must have accepted the evidence of the police and rejected that of the six men. The judge sentenced each to imprisonment for life.

If the police evidence was accepted, it meant that the prison officers must have beaten up the six men after they arrived at Winson Green prison. That was so serious a matter that in December, 1975, the Director for Public Prosecutions charged 14 prison officers with assault on the six. They were tried before Mr Justice They were tried before Mr Justice Swanwick and a jury in 1976. The prison officers called a new medical witness, Dr David Paul, a specialist in forensic medicine. He had examined the photographs taken on Sunday, November 24, while they were still at Queen's Road police station. His reported conclusion was: "Careful examination of the photographs and the medical evidence reveals that all the little and investigation of the photographs."

medical evidence reveals that all the injured men sustained injuries around November 24 to 27..."

Dr Paul's evidence was adverse to the police in that he concluded that the six men had been injured while in police custody before the photographs were taken, but that they had also been injured while in the prison officers, custody after the photographs were taken. The prison officers, from the dock, each said: It wasn't me". All were acquitted.

The six men—while in prison—brought actions against the police. They claimed that Dr Paul's evidence showed they had been bearen up by the police". They had also obtained statements from three prison officers that the six

had also obtained statements from three prison officers that the six men were bruised and injured when they arrived at the prison and that that must have been done by the police earlier.

With that new evidence on November 14, 1977, the six men sued the Lancashire or West Midland police and the Home Office. Their statements of claim repeated all their allegations against the police officers of violence and threats and also alleged assaults by the prison officers assaults by the prison officers after they were taken to the

prison. The Home Office had admitted The Home Office had admitted that the men were assaulted after they had arrived at the prison and sustained some injury. The only issue was: what damages? But the police asked that the actions be struck out as against them, since the issue of violence and threats was decided in their favour at the trial before Mr Justice Bridge and should not now be reopened.

In seeking to strike out the actions, the police said that the six men were estopped from schools, the police said that the six men were estopped from raising again an issue decided by Mr Justice Bridge; and if that was wrong, that the actions were an abuse of the process of the court.

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Priority should be given to issue estopped, it was admitted that the six men, if they were to be believed, had a reasonable cause of action for damages against the police, just as they had against the prison officers, on the ground that they were subjected to serious assaults while in custody. The action itself was not therefore an abuse of the process, if it were to be called an abuse, it would be because of the previous decision against them in the "trial within a trial". If they were to be stopped, it must be by way of an estopped it must be by way of an estopped of some kind or another.

The word "estoppel" only meant "stopped": Coke Commentaries on Littleton, vol II, 3522. It was brought over by the Normans

was brought over by the Normans who used the old French estoupall, which meant a bung or cork by which you stopped something from coming out. Over the centuries there had been built up in our law a big house with many progress the house called Estoppel rooms—the house called Estoppel.

In Coke's time it was a small house with only three rooms—estoppel by matter of record, by matter in writing, and by matter

all right but both were a bit rickety.

The doctrine of privity said that the only persons who could take advantage of the estoppel or he bound by it were the two parties to the previous proceedings themselves or their privies. No third person could take advantage of it or be bound by it.

The doctrine of mutuality said that, in order that there should be an estoppel, it must be such that both of the two parties and their privies must be bound by the estoppel, whichever way it went. Win or lose, each must be bound. It was said that in any contest that was the only fair thing.

In Hollington v Recothorn ([1943] I KB 587) it was held that a previous conviction was not admissible in evidence; and that

The Master of the Rolls will pay tribute in his court at 10.30 this morning to Lord Justice Goff, whose sudden death be announced at the conclusion of the judgments in this case.

meant it would not be available as an estoppel. If one could not get it in evidence it could not be used at all.
His Lordship considered Hol-

used at all.

His Lordship considered Hollington was wrongly decided. It had been replaced by section 11 of the Civil Evidence Act, 1963, which was the modern law. But first his Lordship would draw attention to another and rather safer chair in the room of estoppel per rem judicatam—the doctrine of exceptions.

It had long been recognized that estoppel per rem judicatam—the doctrine or issue estoppel was not an absolute bar to the matter in dispute being tried again. The party concerned could avoid the effect of the previous decision if he could prove it to have been obtained by fraud or collusion: The Duchess of Kineston's Case (11776) Smith LC 647, 652). And the party concerned could avoid the effect of the previous decision if he could show that a new fact had come to light (which he could not have ascertained before by reasonable diligence) which entirely changed the aspect of the case: Phosphate Sevage Co Ltd v Molleson ([1879] 4 App Cas 801, 814).

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That was a much stricter test than was required when fresh evidence was admitted on an appeal—which was a rehearing—and the court had said that the

appeal—which was a rehearing—and the court had said that the fresh evidence must be such that, if given, it would probably have an important influence on the result of the case, though it need not be decisive: Last v Marshall (1954) 1 WLR 1489, 1491) and Skone v Skone (1971) 1 WLR 812, 815, But to avoid the effect of an estoppel (when there was no rehearing) the fresh evidence must, his Lordship thought, be decisive. It must be such as to show that the previous decision was wrong. It must be conclusive. That fitted well with the new estantory provision in section II (21(a) under it, a previous conviction was admissible in a subsequent civil action for the purpose of proving that the man committed the offence: and further "he shall be taken to have committed that offence unless the contrary is notwerd".

is proved."

How was a convicted man to prove "the constrary"—that he did not commit the offeace and that he was innocent? Only, his Lordship sugarested, by proving that the conviction was obtained mat the conviction was obtained by fraud or collusion, or by adducting frash evidence. If the fresh evidence was inconclusive, he did not prove his innocence. It must be decivity and corrusive before he could be declared innocent.

Another chair in the room was challed the decrease of Section Another chair in the room was labelled the doctrine of finality. To operate as an estoppel, the previous decision must be final. Was the decision of Mr Justice Bridge in the "trial within a trial" final? If not, did it become final on the verdict of the jury—or on the dismissal of the six men's appeal by the Court of Apoeal?

The doctrine of finality grew up when people had in their minds

Appeal?

The doctrine of finality grew up when people had in their minds "cause of action estoppel" and were inclined to overlook "issue estoppel". Now that the House of Lords had recognized the validity of issue estoppel we had to think afresh. In the Carl Zeiss Stiftung (No 2) case ([1967] 1 AC 853, 917, 947) both Lord Reid and Lord Upjohn had envisaged cases where it might be unjust to apply an issue estoppel. His Lordship thought those cases could all be solved if issue estoppel was applied thus: when an issue had been decided by a competent court against 2 party in an earlier proceeding, it should only be regarded as final if he had had a full and fair opportunity of defending himself therein and the circumstances were such that it would not be fair or just to allow circumstances were such that it would not be fair or just to allow him to reopen it in subsequent

proceedings.

In some cases in the past when the selfsame issue had been decided against a party in previous proceedings, the courts had said that they would not allow him to raise it again in a subsald that they would not allow him to raise it again in a subsequent proceeding, on the ground that it was an abuse of the process of the court. Now they should be regarded as cases of issue estoopel: From observations in Reichel v Magrath (1889) 14 App Cas 665,668) and Stephenson v Garnett (1898) 1 OB 677, 580), it was plain that the real reason why the claims in those cases had been struck out was because the selfsame issue had previously been determined against the party by a court of competent jurisdiction. What was that but issue estoppel? But at the date of those cases the doctrine of issue estoppel? But at the date of those cases the doctrine of issue estoppel had not emerged as a separate doctrine. So the courts found it necessary to put it on "abuse of process of the court." Now that issue estoppel was fully recognized it was better to reach the decision on that ground, rather than on the yague phrase "abuse of the process of the court." Each doctrine was based on the same considerations and produced the same result.

Applying what his Lordship had considerations and produced the same result.

Applying what his Lordship had said, there was at the "trial within a trial" an issue whether the police had been guilty of violence or threats towards the six men so that that confessions were not made voluntarily. On that issue the judge made a clear finding against the six men after an eight-day trial in which they had full and fair opportunity of being heard—and were in fact heard—and represented by leading counsel. At the trial the same evidence about vio-

lence and threats was given again before the jury. If the jury had acquitted the six men, it would not be fair or just to hold that the judge's finding was binding on the six men, it was reasonable to suppose that they prove that the jury convicted the six men, it was reasonable to suppose that they look the same view as the judge. In any case the issues were such that it would not be fair or just to allow the decision to be reopened by the six men. Just consider the course of events if their action were to proceed to trial. It would not be tried for 18 months or two years. It would take weeks and weeks. The evidence about violence and threats would be given all over again, but six or seven years after the event, instead of one year.

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If the six men failed, it would mean that much time and money and warry would have been expended by many people for no good purpose. If they won, it would mean that the police were guilty of violence and threat; that the confessions were involuntary and improperly admitted in evidence; and that the convictions were extoneous. That would mean that the Home Secretary would have either to recommend that they be pardoned or to remit the case to the Court of Appeal under section 17 of the Criminal Appeal Act, 1968.

That was such an appalling vista that every sensible person would say: "It cannot be right that these actions should go any further. They should be struck out either on the ground that the six men are estopped from challenging the decision of Mr Justice Bridge or alternatively that it is an abuse of the process of the court. Whichever it is, the actions should be strooped".

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The only way the six men could hope to overcome the estopped would be by adducing fresh evidence. That was what they tried to do. They said that Dr Paul'a evidence was fresh evidence. But that falled, because it could have been available at the trial if reasonable diligence had been used. Then they said that they had the evidence of three prison officers which was fresh evidence; but counsel had to admit that be had their statements available and chose not to call them at the trial. Then on behalf of the individual men different points of fresh evidence were taken; but none came within any measurable distance of showing that the judge's decision was wrong.

The cases showed what a civilized country we were. Here were ax men who had been proved guilty of the most wicked murder of 21 innocent people. They had no money. Yet the state lavished large sums on their detence by way of legal aid. They were convicted of murder and senenced to imprisonment for life. In their evidence they were guilty

them—in their actions against the police. It was righ time it stopped. It was really an attempt to set aside the convictions by a side wind. It was a scandal that it should be allowed to construct. Lee Some was fully tried out and decided at the "rial within a trial". The judge's finding on that issue was decisive unlers there were circumstances which there were circumstances which made it fair or just to reopen it. His Lordship saw no such circumstances. He would allow the appeal and strike out the actions on the point of issue estoppel.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF, whose judgment was read by Sir George Baker, said that the question whether Hollington v Hewthorn ([1943] QB 587) was wrongly decided was answered by the legislature, which by section II of the Criminal Evidence Act, 1968, provided that the certificate of conviction should be evidence but not conclusive evidence.

His Lordship could not agree that the judgment of Mr Justice that the Bridge alone, or in conjunction with the verdict of the jury, created an issue estoppel sufficient to bar the plaintiffs' claims. So far as issue estoppel was con-cerned, his Lordship was prepared

ternen, his Loruship was prepared to assume that the voire dire (trial within a trial) and the verdict taken together did constitute a final judgment on the same issue sufficient to found an issue estoppel, but there was the futal objection that both cases had to objection that both cases had to be between the same parties or their privies. Having regard to repeated pronouncements in the House of Lords and having rogard to the length of time that the rule of mutually and consequently the necessity of having the same parties or privies had been considered part of English law his lordship thought that it was now too late to reject it and the court could not follow the American authorities. His Lordship condican authorities. His Lordship could not accept the argument that the not accept the argument that the Crown as prosecutor at the trial and the defendants were privies in interest for the purpose of the alleged issue estoppel. The defendants were sued upon a vicarious statutory liability under section 48 of the Police Act, 1964, for the alleged torts of individual officers in assaulting prisoners and his Lordship could not see any privity between the Crown in its role as state prosecutor and the defendants as by statute tortleasors.

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In so far as the defendants relied on issue estoppel, his Lordship would agree with Mr Justice Cantley and dismiss the appeal, albeit on a highly technical basis, but he would reach the same conclusion as the Master of the Rolls and Sir George Baker on the defendants' alternative argument that in view of what had happened at the criminal trial the actions were on abuse of the

ment that in view of what had happened at the criminal trial the actions were on abuse of the process of the court.

SIR GEORGE BAKER said that, with two very minor and immaterial exceptions in the case of Hunter, the allegations now made were, and were accepted by counsel to be, the same as those made against the police at the trial within a trial, and at the prisoners were not assaulted. After reaching the inescapable conclusion that there had been gross perjury on one side or another he was satisfied that the police witnesses gave honest and accurate evidence.

The reality of a trial within a trial was that the adversaries were the plaintiffs and the policemen. The question was who of those was lying, not whether the Crown or the DPP or the chief constables were to be harassed twice for the same cause. There was a tendency to forget the stress and strain on a man, even a policeman, of reopening such allegations, especially when they had already been held untrue.

At the conclusion of Sir George when they had already been neid untrue.

At the conclusion of Sir George Baker's judgment, the Master of the Rolls said that he had just been informed that Lord Chief Justice Goff had died at 4 pm. after his judgment had been delivered.

delivered.
Solicitors: Barlow, Lyde & Glibert; Treasury Solicitor; Mr Brian Hill, Preston; Geffens, Walsoll: Barrington, Black & Co.

delivered.

Football

Giles sets his heart on Wembley victory

Mick Kearns, the Wolverhamp-ton Wandsrers goldkeeper, has been dropped by the Republic of Irehand for the European champiorship game against England at Wembley on Febrinary 6. Their manager, Johnsoy Giles, unhappy with Kearns' dis-play in the previous game against Northern Ireland, prefers Peyton, of Fulham, and Healey, of Cardiff. Mark Lawrenson, of Brighton, returns to the party after missing the last four matches through injury, although he is currently playing in midfield for Brighton, Mr Gles is expected to use him in a defensive role against England.

The Irish party includes two sets of brothers. Arsenal's Dave O'Leary reams up again with his younger brother Pierce, from the Dublin club Shamrock Rovers, and the Notts County full back Ray
O'Brien joins his brother Frau,
who is playing for the North
American side, Philadelphia

Furies.

Mr Giles has arranged a game against a Danish under-21 side two days before the game against England as part of his build-up. "It should prove an ideal way of preparing for the game against Eugland which we are determined to win", he said. "Reating Eugland would give us some compensation for failing to get through to the finals of the European champlonship."

Mr Giles stressed that he would not experiment at Wembley, which means delaying his World

Luck of the draw : Italian sports writers yesterday expressed satisfaction with the European Nations Cup draw which bracketed Italy with Spain, Belgium and England, AP reports.

"Italy avoided the strongest opponents. West Germany, the Netherlands, and Czechoslovakia, all bracketed in the group one. This was the front page headline of Italy's largest sports daily, Gazzetta dello Sport. Gametia dello Sport.

Commencing on the draw for the final round of games, scheduled in Milan, Turin, Naples and Rome. Enzo Bearzot, the coach of the Italian team, said his main worry was England.

The same orderion was expressed. The same opinion was expressed by several national players, such as Gaetano Scirea, Roberto Bettega and Marco Tardelli. "The finals are in our range. England is the only hard nut to crack in our group", Bettega



Mark Lawrensen : returning to fortify the Irish.

French revive hopes of success with Honoré

By John Hennessy What a differnce a decade makes. French skiers were on top of the world in the 1968 Winter Olympics at Grenobles with the triple triumph of Jean-Claude Killy and the Goitschel sisters at much the same time mopping up medals in the women's events. The on, but the men have disappeared without trace. As things now stand, none will be entered for the Oimpics at Lake Placid next month "because of unsatisfactory

month "because of unsatisfectory results."

Thus the first objective of Honoré Bonnet, a revered figure across the Channel, has been denied him. Mr Bonnet, the supremo in the days of Killy and the Goitschels, was brought back as a consultant a year or so ago to breathe new life into the French mational team, so far with-So disturbed were the French Government by persistent failure on their and other people's Alps, and by its effect on both the

winter sports industry and national pride, that their Sports Minister, M. Jean-Pierre Soisson, finally

other appeals had failed.

Mr Bonnet, formerly known as the Napoleon of French skiing, and not only because of his physical resemblance, pulled no punches when he confronted his young charges. Cheerfully he greeted them, he says, with "Ecoutez, jeunes gens, yous êtes manvais". The boys duly listened—and are still bad, after a year and more of Mr Bonnet. But he promises a revival, and a victory, next season. He accepted the poet of consul-

mr Bonner. But he promises a revival, and a victory, next season. He accepted the post of consultant in the teeth of opposition from his Scottish wife, Ann. She thinks he us mad to take on such a responsibility at 60. Honore is inclined to agree, but the call was too tempting, and perhaps too flattering.

He believes he can find the right "medication" (he speaks that kind of English) and put French sking whore it belongs. "I am not a stupid old man," he says, rather unnecessarily. "I can help them, but they, too, must make an effort." Another year or so will tell whether or not be can do what few others have done and make a come-back in sport: "You only need five fingers for that, including Sugar Ray and Muhammad Ali". As his looks suggest, he is a fighter too.

Motor Rallying

Talbot enter Monte Carlo rally after 12-year gap

A Coventry-prepared Taibor Sunbeam Lonis is to take part in the Monte Carlo rally beginning tomorrow. It is the first time Halbot, formerly Chrysler, have emered the rally for 12 years. The car, Isunched on the European markets last autumn, has a Lotus engine inside a specially "stiffened Sunbeam body built at Linwood, in Scotland. It is to be driven by a Freuchman, Guy Frequelin, with co-driver John Todd.

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Bjorn Waldegaard, of Sweden, among the strongest contenders in the rally, has switched cars for this year's event. He will be driving a Fiat 131 Abard, with special tyres, instead of the Ford Escort in which he took second place last year, Reouter reports.

The surprise winner last year, veteran French driver Bernard Darniche, will again be driving a Lancia Stratos with his countryman, Alain Mahe, as co-driver. Michelle Monton, the French girl who wen the women's cup last year and was placed seventh overall, is again competing in a Fiat 131. Both she and Darniche are among the 75 starters from Paris out of a total of 254 teams.

The initial stage has been halved to about 620 miles with drivers converging on Setre

Chevalier, an Alpine resort 125 miles north of Monte Carlo. After they arrive there on Sunday, the drivers wil test their skill on an ice circuit before setting out on a night drive through the mountains to Monte Carlo, where they are due before dawn after going through six special tests totalling. 77 miles.

The main stage of the rally then starts on Monday night when the drivers speed into a mountain circuit 930 miles long, from Monaco to Vals les Bains and back to Monaco. They are due in the principality at Wednesday noon after 17 special speed tests totalling 244 miles.

The last stage, involving the 100 drivers with the top timings, is a 425-mile drive through the Alpine foothills just north of Monte Carlo. The stage includes 10 special speed tests totalling 113 miles and is run at night between Thursday and Friday.

One of the features of the 1990 rally is the inclusion in the main stage of a run through the narrow and often tricky roads of the rely is the inclusion in the many stage of a run through the narrow and often tricky roads of the Ardèche area of South Central France. Organizers had skipped this portion last year because, during an earlier relly, a heavy snow storm held up a large part of the field on the Ardèche plateau.

Hockey

North's captain snatches win with great goal

A spectacular goal by Margaret Souvave in the last seconds of the match, gave North victory over South in the women's territorial hockey match on Pressed Steel

ground, Oxford, yesterday. Miss Souyave, North's new captain, had worked unceasingly throughout and her goal was well worth the chilly 694 minutes to see.' She made the initial move, collecting the ball in midfield and passed to Irene Muldowney, on the

passed to Irene Muldowney, on the right wing.

Miss Muldowney eluded a South defender near the circle and centred as she was tackied. As she and two South players fell down, Miss Souyave pounced on the ball near the back line and sent a bullet-like shot into the goal from the narrowest angle. It was a thrilling finish to a game which had become rather scrappy.

South had started well but rather overdid their passes to Sheila Harding on the left wing. She is a capable player but would have needed to be more than that to use some of the haphazard shots sent in her direction.

Paula Hughes gave North a 1-0

Cycling

BREMEN: Six-day race, final gace-ings: 1. P. Seyru (Belgium) and A. Fritz (WG.) 3556s; 2. P. Peffera, (WG) and G. Brium (WG.) 26f. Al one lap behind: 3. H. Schuek; (WG) and B. Herrmann (Licchienstein) 260; 4. G. Schulmacher (WG) and U. Hempel (WG), 215; 5. G. Frank

England and Scotland keep their composure in triples

and Scotland were the only pations with maximum eight points in the triples erent of the world bowls championships at Frankston here today. Australia and New Zealand were the only unbeaten countries after four rounds of the pairs. In the Leonard Trophy for overall performance, Australia and New Zealand were equal leaders.

England's triples team of Jim Hobday, Tony Alcock and David Bryant continued their winning Bryant continued their winning run after their one-shot win over Australia yesterday. Today they beat Malawi 22—11, Wales 18—11 and Hougkong 25—6. The Scots John Summers, David McGill and Wiltle McQueen defeated the United States 20—8, Jersey 35—13 and Swarlland 21—12 to maintain their 100 per cent record.

After England had swamped Hougkong's Philip Chok, M. B. Hassan and O. M. K. Dallah in the last of their three matches today Bobby Stenhonse, the manager, said: "The result is very good and an all-round effort. Though it is still early days, they are settling into a good combination. The heat today did not

Pairs:

SECOND ROUND: West Samoa 44.
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Melbourne, Jan 17.—England worry them, but they have their and Scotland were the only age on their side."
nations with maximum eight Anstralia's pairs team of Alf points in the triples event of the Sandercock and Peter Rheuben have hit top form with wins over England, Fiji, Kenya and Cauada.

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Jack Spear, the Australian
manager, said: "Tais pair have
gradually improved. Peter
Rheuben is playing in magnificent
form. He is playing with confidence and getting his shots.

New Zealand's pair, Phil
Skoglund and Kevia Darling, have
won 26-17 espiret belond 20-17 skoglutid and Kevin Darling, have won 26-17 against Ireland, 20-17 against Hongkong., 21-13 against Zambia and 22-15 against Malawi. Four teams have six points in the pairs event—Jersey, the United States, Wales and Western Samoa. States, Wales and Western Samoa.
One of the most strenuouslyfought matthes today was the
triples game between Wales and
fifi, which lasted four hours and
fluished under floodlights in
drizding rain. Fiji won 21—20.
The teams could not distinguish
between the two closest bowls on

the ninth end and called for offi-cial adjudication. Three umpires with a torch took 10 minutes to decide that they could not separate the bowls either and no score was recorded for that cnd. Triples:

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Table tennis Mrs Jarvis in selectors' good books again
Linda Jarvis, an unexpected
omission from England's world

She is in the party of 14 short-listed for the European cham-pionships in Berne, Switzerland, from April 5 to 13.

The Surrey bank clerk, who was Linda Howard until her marriage to Nicky Jarvis last year, has formed notable doubles parmerships in recent years with England's two world-ranked players, fill Hammersley and Desmond Douglas. Despite this she was left out of the world cham. was left out of the world cham-pionships team that was sent to Pyongyang, North Korea, last season, because her form as a singles player did not justify

singles player did not justify selection.

The controversy over that decision has led to the selection of a party which will be reduced to the actual team of nine players, five men and four women, at the latest possible date. This will be at the end of February after performances in the Weish and West German open championships have been studied. With a few exceptions the selectors have stuck close to the current ranking list, and five of the 14 have yet. list, and five of the 14 have yet to represent their country at this level.

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Johnson, R. Potton, G. Sandler,
Women: J. Hermoreley, L. Jarvis,
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SPORT. Rugby Union

England aim to launch themselves from a solid platform up front

Rugby Correspondent After training with the England rugby party for more than two hours at St Mary's College, Straw-

hours, at St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill, yesterday afternoon, the captain, Billy Beaumont, said he was in no doubt that the international match against Ireland tomorrow was the most important one of the season for them.

It's so vital to win at home in the championship, he added, but I've been associated with has looked forward to a game more. The spirit couldn't be better. We're fed up being asked what's wrong with England rugby and we're; deteriouned to start the championship on the right dote. If we can get a win under our belt, we shan't feel under so much préssure."

pressure."
He thought Ireland always most difficult to play against—" their heads never so down, they've got tremendous spirit "—and he said he was in no doubt that the forward battle would be crucial." We know we have to get a clean, solld platform up from. If we don't get consistent good incout ball its asking for trouble against the Irish."

McLe an and Duggan fit a fillip to face England by Fenwick

The Ireland team to meet England at Twickenham tomorrow flew to London last night after dispelling all amxieties about the fitness of Freddic McLennan and Wille Dusgan Mille Duggan.

McLennan. who fills the left wing position, had been troubled by a hamstring injury and Duggan, the No 8, had been detained in hospital last Sunday night because of a virus infection.

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of a virus infection.

Both players came through an hour long troining stim after which freshnd's coach. Noel Murphy, said: "The players are in the right frame of mind for what will be a hard match. We are sensibly optimistic and feel that we have a right to face the match with confidence".

Bythe's comeback: Ned Bythe, the Irish prop who broke his leg in Australia last summer, is to make a comeback next senson. Bythe, whose leg was broken in a hit and run accident while touring with the Irish team last May. ing with the Irish team last May, expects to start light training in the near future. The 31-year-old Blackrock player, is a cousin of Duggan, who was with him when he was struck by the cer.

Nash gives up title Rome, Jan 17.—Charlie Nash, the Irish lightweight, has relinquished his European title, the European Boxing Union (EBU) announced here today. Nash is set to hox for the World Boxing Council title against Jim Watt, the champion, in Glasgow on March 14. Nash was scheduled to defend his European title against

Was be hoping that England could expand their game a bit? "Yes, I certainly hope so. Our new coach. Mike Davis, certainly has encouraged the backs to feel more free to do their own thing, and obviously there's no point in having wings like Mike Slemen and John Carieton without trying to use their attacking skills. But when winning is so important it's quite unreasonable to expect an airy-fairy approach."

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The captain was asked whether he thought that the new Irish full back his fellow Lancastrian. Kevin O'Brien, might be tested early on at Twickenham with one or two high kicks. "Could be", Beaumont agreed with a wry smile, and, with a thought of what a certain England centre might then aspire to do, added; "We might even set 'Bondy' off the leash."

Mike Davis said he felt there was a nice balance in the side, both fore and aft, and be hoped it would all blend together. "I'm a great believer in timing", he added. "The players want to expand their horizons, the atmosphere at training has been encouraging, and I find that quite exciting. But only time will show whether I'm justified in being an optimistic."

Wales given

Steve Ferwick, of Wales, has been passed fit to play against France in the opening match of the five nations championship in Cardiff tomorrow. Fenwick, a key man at centre, suffered a badiy bruised thigh playing for Bridgend in a Welsh Cup match last Saturday and has been having daily the property from the national team physiotherapist, Gerry Lewis. physiotherapist, Gerry Lewis.

During yesterday's two-hour workout with the team at Bridgend. Feawick was put through a punishing spell of sprinting and passing the ball at speed and afterwards was declared fit by john Lloyd, the new Welsh coach. Fenwick. With 123 points for Wales, is one of only two players to have passed 100 for his country. Last season he collected 38 points to equal the championship record.

Wales, who last season took the Wales, who last season took the vears, have been unbeaten in the championship at Cardiff since France lowered their colours in 1968. Jeff Squire, who will be

the responsibility he carries: " We have a tremendous tradition to maintain, but I hope we can make home advantage tell", he said. Mr Lloyd, appointed recently in succession to John Dawes, also accepts that he faces a tough task. "I am trying to copy my pre-decessors. We intend to play good 15-man rugby again this season defend his European title against and so far the players have Spain's Francisco Leon responded well."

captain in place of the injured

Derck Quinnell, is conscious of



Head lock: Watkinson, who put his own stranglehold on the match feels the squeeze.

Irish stitch in time for rich fabric

By Peter Marson

English Univs 8 trish Univs 10
An even balance had prevailed throughout this match at Motspur Park, New Malden, yesterday, until the last quarter when the frishmen scored their try. Psychologically, their riming was just about right, for English Universities, who had been coasting along apparently happy to be sitting on a slender lead of 8-6, were under pressure for the first time.

But the Vichman had caught the But the Irishmen had caught the

scent of victory, and while the English tried to regroup and counter, the men in green held on to win by two penalty goals and a try to two tries. It soems that some 20 years have passed since the last reprenave passed since the last repre-sentative match between students of the two countries. But if the labric of former years had been restored, a certain richness decorated the English scene, for here for the first time were representatives of Oxford, Cam-bridge and London.

Some were to make an Indelible mark, notably Watkinson and Mallett. Watkinson, who had

Aberavon meet Maesteg at the Athletic Ground this evening reinforced by the Swansea scrum helf, Huw Davies. Anxious for a move since he was displaced as first choice last mouth when Brymmor Williams transferred from Cardiff, Davies is on loan to Aberavon who were knocked out of the Walsh Fun hy Massing.

Aberavon also include two players on loan from the British

played a prominent part in his side's second try, was subsequently heavily tackled and obliged to retire. That was a great pity. Well though Page, his replacement, played, Watkinson's experience and skill meant much to his side. On the other side of the water.

to speak, Coakley, at stand-half, was in the same mould, infinite value to his side and admirable innovator and techan admirable innovator and technician. He made two mistakes, it is true, and one of them led to the English Alde's first try. At that time, when he miskicked into the arms of Perry, it seemed less than just, for until then Conkley had been an inspiration.

Coakley was one of three players playing here who were in the Irish Universities team in New Zoaland in May, 1978, when they won six of their nine matches, including victories against New Zealand Universities and New Zealand Colos.

Coakley bogan the scoring yest-erday with a well-taken penalty goal from 30 metres. Shortly be-fore half-time, his wayward clear-

Steel Corporation club, Margam: Paul Bamsey, a wing and Gerard Davies, a hooker. Thay hope to recruit Robert Lowe, a line-out specialist, who last week played against them for Tredegar.

Swansea, who visit Penarth for

a floodlit match, bring in Huw

Rees, a wing who missed the

whole of last season because of

knee trouble. At centre they in- row morning.

to send Watkinson and Asquith on their way, and that resulted in a try for Bennett.

Watkinson then made a fine break and following a ruck and a darring run to the short side by Milford, Waldron scored by the left corner flag. There followed an excellent penalty goal by Coakley and, after Hitchcock had made the running, Moore's all-

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clude Alun Donovan, who made a remarkable return last month after being out of action for 18 months

being our of action for is mouths following a leg injury received when playing for Wales in Australia. Penarth, with only one victory from their last 11 matches, have their captain. Mike Krilli, back at prop. Lianelli seek their eleventh successive win when they visit Glamorgan Wanderers tomor-

Davies keen to make good impression

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By Gordon Allan

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Isolation has produced change, Craven says

From Richard Streeton Stellenbosch, Jan 17

Dr Diane Craven admitted here yesterday that the changes now being made in South African Rugby stemmed from the isolation imposed by the outside world. They would have been longer in coming if the bridge-builders had been allowed to University College reckoned they have one of their best teams for some time, but King's College were too good for them in the first round of the Hospitals Cuprishy competition at Honour Oak Park yesterday (Thursday). Kings woo by two poaks a nearly year longer in coming if the bridge-builders had been allowed to maintain the contact they wanted: "Exerything in the garden is not rosy yet; but we have had our remaissance, our reawakeming in South Africa; now we are pro-ceeding with the implementa-tion". Dr Craven, president of the South African Rugby Board and the game's legendary admini-strator in the republic, said. won by two goals, a petalty goal and a dropped goal to a penalty goal and go on to play St Bartho-lomew's at Enfield on January 31.

King's wored all their points in the second half. In the first they struggled, and it seemed possible that UCH might win, which, on traditional form, if nothing else, strator in the republic, said.

Answering questions in his office at the luxurious open university here, 30 kilometres from Cape Town, Dr Craven said:
"There was a time in recent years when I have had to defend South Africa with my tongue in my cheek. Now there is no need to defend South Africa; when you do right you do not have to justify what you are doing." The fact the British Lions were coming would now be welcomed by the majority of non-white players other than the South African Rugby Union (SARU), the black body who baye chosen to remain outside the board, and the South African Council of Sport (SACOS).
"For these the Lions tour is a defeat." strator in the republic, said. traditional form, if nothing else, would have been a surprise. UCH, however, struggled just as much, and a penalty by Crean with almost the last kick of the half was scanty insurance. Padwick levelled the scores with a penalty, his fourth attempt, soon after half-time, and then Lowe scored King's light that it was a need as College. time, and then Lowe scored King's first try. It was a good one. Griffiths, King's captain, broke from a scrummage and linked with Haines, who put Love in at the corner. Padwick converted. Lowe, a forceful wing, nearly did it again when UCH's passing failtered and he lincked on, but the ball went dead a moment too soon.

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Padwick dropped a goal from the loose and shortly before the end Skyrme-Jones acored king's second try, from a scrummage near the line, after Wardle ladd been held. Padwick converted. A deflating result, then, for UCH who must have hoped for better things. Graham, a Wasps centre, ran unflinchingly for them, and Walker, in spite of a torn ear, never gave lees than 100 per cent in the pack. But they were without their first choice hooker and suffered accordingly in the tight.

King's, a little more conesive defeat."

Dr Craven said be had always been against all forms of apartheid in sport: "I was working against it before the boycott; I saw the necessity to do so." The day the Lions tour decision was announced, a new South African had been born. There were two groups of people in the country: those who had changed their views through conviction; and those who triough conviction; and those who had been forced to change by outside pressure. "Among the second group there is always a residue of objectors to such changes and whenever there is a setback, that residue increases." For the first time in the increases. King's, a little more conesive behind the scrummage, employed their extra possession well as the

seroack, that residue increuses.
"For the first time in the long history of our ruzby back to the 1590s we shall not be a white team but a South African team. Coloureds and blacks will feel it is their team whether or not there are any blacks or coloureds in it; if will be a team selected on merit."

He admired it was to be a seam selected on the seam whether the seam selected on the In another cup match yesterday
Royal Free heat St George's
32—6 at Cobbam. The march
between St Thomas's and Middlesex, which was postponed last
Tuesday has been rearranged for
Cobbam next Wednesday. merit."

He admitted it was true that facilities for coloureds and blacks were not all that they should be:
"We have already done a lot, especially here in the Cape but there is a lot more that can be done." He said SACOS were partly to blame. They had pinced their members on the committees of municipal ground authorities and were preventing the hoard's member clubs from using the grounds.

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Today's fixtures

at the moment they are not with the exception, perhaps, of you in the exception, perhaps, of you in England. I think you have gone-tie furthest. The fact that the Conservative Party did not interfore with the Barbarians tour and that they have now expressed, their opinions over the Lions tour without forcing the issue; I think that is the nearest the world has gone to separating sport and politics."

Looking ahead Dr Craven though it would be a time before rugby standards rose among blacks and coloureds. They had only been playing mixed rugby for two years but their improvement had been contrading especially. heen outstanding, especially among the blacks, who were nippy and versatile.

Dr Craven, who is 70 next October, will then be retiring from his position as director of sport at Stellenbosch University. He would retire from rugby administration when South Africa was backlet would provide the crade. back in world rugby, its credibility restored.

Ibility restored.

Arthur Gold, one of the Sports Council delegation, was threatened with arrest on the Cape Town sea front last night when he clashed verbelly with an armed white security guard. Mr Gold, 22cd 62, and president of the European Atherics Federation, protested when he saw the guard punch a black woman in the face as the guard broke up a beach party. Mr Gold said: "It was an unfortunate incident but I like to think I am an objective person. It think I am as objective person. It will make no difference to my feelings; if it had bappened at home I would have rung the police."

The fucident happened after Mr Gold had dined with Thomas Scotcher, an old school friend and a lecturer at the University of Cape Town. They were walking and stopped to watch a group of black women dancing to a record player: "It was a quiet civilized little party, disturbing nobody, when suddenly this aggressive young security guard arrived. Snatched a hottle away from one of the women and threw it on some rocks where it smashed", Mr Gold said.

rocks where it smashed ", Mr Gold said.
" As he chased the women away I clearly saw him punch one of them in the face. Quite involuntially I said loud enough for him to hear. " now that was unnecessary." He came up to me and shouted augrily "I will lock you up too; you British don't know how to deal with your strikers." "
Earlier in the day Mr Gold and Earlier in the day Mr Gold and the other members of the coun-cil's mission had spent an hour discussing South African issues with Pik Boths, the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Foreign Affairs.

Criticism of Jeeps: The president of the anti-apartheid South African Council of Sport (SACOS), Hassan Howa, yesterday accused Mr Jeeps of being "too prowhite South African". Mr Howa was commenting on a meeting with the Sports Council mission in Cape Town. "I gained the impression that Mr Jeeps does not understand, and has no intention of understanding, the skustion in of understanding, the situation in South Africa", Mr Howa said. "His artitude smacked of such that I told him not to waste my time, and got up to leave the meeting.



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510 3.30 ROYAL MAIL HURDLE (Novices: Handicap: £1,000: 3m)

330 ROYAL MAIL HURDLE (Novices: Handicap: £1,000; 3m)

502 04-3013 Remezzo, D. Elsworth 6-11-13 C. Brown

503 60-3013 Remezzo, D. Elsworth 6-11-13 C. R. Rowe

604 3013 Repeated Choice, J. Halmo, 10-14-25 C. R. E. Rowe

605 2-21003 O'er the Border, D. Elsworth

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508 00121 Sharp Fiddle, R. Boss, 5-10-5 S. Smith Exciss

509 0121 Sharp Fiddle, R. Boss, 5-10-5 D. McAllister

510 00-224 Corbiere, Mrs. Nicholton, 7-10-5

511 000-220 More Piessure, N. Gaselee, 6-10-2 B. Gray 4

512 000-220 More Piessure, N. Gaselee, 6-10-2 B. C. Kright

513 030270 Tom's Feel W. Willeams, 5-10-0 C. Kright

514 030270 Tom's Feel W. Willeams, 5-10-0 C. Kright

515 030411 Burrough Hill Lad, 5-10-0 P. Schedamore

520 04-4000 Coromandel D. Nicholson, 7-10-0 P. Schedamore

521 04-4000 Prostoroil Size, M. Haynes, 6-10-0 R. Goldstein

522 04-000 Prostoroil Size, M. Haynes, 6-10-0 R. Goldstein

524 00-0200 Weigh Rambier, J. G. Belding, 6-10-0 G. Willier's 7

525 000-020 Weigh Rambier, Ten Pointer Benson, 12-1 O'er the Border.

527 0003-0 Gestabee, A. Moonlight Express, Remezzo, 7-1 Read Choice, 8-1

Burrough Hill Lad, 10-1 Farmer, Ten Pointer Benson, 12-1 O'er the Border.

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601 3121 State Morgana (D), D. Weeden, 5-11-8 S. M. Carroll
602 0-11204 State Prince (D), Mrs R. Lonari, 5-11-8 V. McKertit
603 004-120 Ulmar (Misrate (D), Mrs R. Lonari, 5-11-8 V. McKertit
604 004-120 Low Misrate (D), Mr. Raynos, 6-11-5 R. Wright
605 020003 Brimps, M. Madgwick, 5-11-5 Mr. A. Madgwick
606 231400 Dubels, M. Madgwick, 5-11-5 Mr. A. Madgwick
607 0- Desert Here, R. Head, 7-11-0 Mr. A. Waiter
610 0- Desert Here, R. Head, 7-11-0 Mr. A. Waiter
611 0- Discontinuation (D. Nicolana, 8-11-0) Mr. A. Waiter
612 0- Desert Here, R. Head, 7-11-0 Mr. A. Waiter
613 0- Discontinuation (D. Nicolana, 8-11-0) Mr. A. Waiter
614 0- Miccolana (D. Nicolana, 8-11-0) Mr. Recest 7
615 0- Saucy
616 0- Brave, D. Elswirth, 6-10-12 Mr. Cogan
627 0- Cellic Rambler, F. Rimgl, 5-10-12 Mr. Cogan
628 0- Desert Rambler, F. Rimgl, 5-10-12 Mr. Gloson
629 0- Cellic Rambler, G. Scholana (D. R. Rowe
630 0- Recest (C) Mr. Ryan (D) Mr. Gloson
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Racing

McCormack steps out of the Goffs to throw in their shadows at the age of 40 lot after the Arc By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent Racing Correspondent
Although John Francome undoubtedly stole the limelight at Lingfield Park yesterday when he stormed back into action with a treble even he might have admitted that the man of the moment was Mat McCormack who saddled his first winner as a trainer in his first season when Humboldt won the first division of the Keep Novices' Rurdle. Novices' Hurdle.

After working as a lad for Sir Cecil Boyd-Rochfort, Bernard van Cutsem, Sir Noei Muriess and Peter Waiwyn in that order McCormack decided last autumn at the ago of 40, to branch out on his own in the Oxfordshire village of Sparsholt in the same yard that Fred Sneyd once used to help Doug and Eph Smith and Jou Mercer on their way long ago.

As a former bead lad Novices' Hurdle. Doug and Epa Smith and Jou Mercer on their way long ago.

As a former bead lad McCormack knows a thing or two about the art of feeding borses so it was not surprising to see Humboldt looking a picture of health and firmess. Nor was it surprising to see a horse trained by as shrewd a judge as he well backed in the ring. (He predicted Grundy's successful career before it even got off the ground and backed his opinion with money.)

Early birds got five to one for their money. Humboldt eventually started at 100-30, but if those odds looked a trille skinny they were fulsome in comparison with the Tote's miserable dividend which amounted to harely more than even money. which amounted to harely more than even money.

McCormack bought Humboldt privately from Luca Cumani last autumn and he is one of only two jumpers that he has in his yard, to keep, as he puts it, himself and his lads happy during the winter. In all McCormack has 13 in training but he expects another five to arrive before the spring.

When news of yesterday's triumph spreads he may well find himself with even more to cater

and then again at Ascot last Saturday, but in each instance they have been folled by the weather.

STATE OF GOING (official): Kempton Park, good (precalitonary inspection 7.50 am): Collecte Bridge, good to soft. Tomorrow: Haydock Park, good to soft. Tomorrow:

250: dual forecast, 25, 25: 25: 42. Newton Abbot 1,30 (1:33) KEEP MURDLE (DIV I: Novices: 4-yo-: £745; 2m)

Notices: 4-yo: £745; 2m)

HUMBOLDT, b C, by Levinoss—
RanneFeeme (M. Stewkesbury).
10-6. P. Burgoyns (100-50) 1

Chelinkaya G. Hughes (5-2 fgv; 2

Dakar ... J. Francome (100-50) 2

ALSO RAN: 10-1 Silly Abdull, 16-1

Lady Commbus 25-1 Radmordiffe.
Rifletive, 50-1 Eronic God. Dromeden

Sarah. Friendship Bay. Gato Wine,
Caker Lad. Valc of Tours. 15 ran. TOTE; Win. 21p; places, 12p, 10p, 17p; dual f., 31p. CSF, £1.14, M. McCormack, at Wantage, *J. 21sl.

TOTE: Win, £1 45: places, 24s, 16s, 21s; dual f, £1.26, CSF; £1.61, P. Gundell, at Compton, '41, 31,

for. While being naturally bucked by his own good fortune McCormack was also delighted to see Humboldt give Paul Burgoyne a winning ride. Burgoyne taught the horse to jump at home and he is one of the unsung heroes of the winter game.

Humboldt is by the Arc and Gold Cup winnar Levmoss who was also the sire of Owen Glin the winner of the Turret haddicap hurdle yasterday. It was heartening to see Francome ride such a stirling finish on this winner after being beset by injury and that was a sentiment echoed by Fred Winter who summed up his jockey's performance at the end of the day with just two words—"The best!". That was praise indeed from the maestro.

Race riding for the first time since December 22, Francome also won the Drawbridge steeplechase for Winter on Roller-Coaster and the second division of the Keep Novices Burdle on Snailwell who left his disappointing form at Kempton Park in December far behind in the expert hands of the champion jockey. After winning his second race this month Roller-Coaster has certainly earned the rest that he has before he goes for the National Hunt handicap steeplechase at Cheltenham in March.

Winter's assistant trainer, Oliver Sherwood, is keeping his fingers crossed and hoping that today is third time lucky as far as bis father's chaser Venture to Cognac, is concerned.

They have tried to race him twice this year, imitally at Cheltenham on New Year's Day and then again at Ascot last Saturday, but in each instance they have been foiled by the weather.

STATE of Going (official): Keeping 750 arm: Carletic Bridge.

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TOTE: Win, 98p: places, 27p, 27p.
25p. Dual F: £1.36. CEF: £5.27. F.
Winter, at Lambourn. 12l, 2l, 1.
TOTE: DOUBLE: Owen Gin and
Honey Bishop, 20.30 TREBLE: The
Spuid Centre. Roller-Coaster and
Snailwell. £48.35. PLACEPOT. £7.45.
JACKPOT: £281.65.

Lingfield Park results

S.0 (3.5) DRAWERIDGE CHASE (62.830; 2°m)

ROLLER-COASTER, b g, by Capialp's Cig—Casteway (Arts M. Lewis), 7-11-12. Yello at Tennome (4-7 fay) 9

French Salm'. B. R. Davics (7-2: 2 Pride of Tennossee, R. Rowe (10-1: 3 ALSO RAN: 9-1 Porrway Nick (4th), 33-1 Two Swallows. S. ren.

TOTE: Win, 16p. Dual F: 22p. CSF: 26p. F. Winter, at Lambourn. J. 71. (Novices: £1,266: 2m)

2.0 (2.2) FORT CHASE (Handicap:
2.1,385: 3ml

THE SPUD CENTRE, b 5, by
Chandra Cross-Show Stavr VI
(R. Whittel) 5.1-3-4

Physicist R. Rowe (9-4 lay) 2

Saa Emperor A. Webber (9-1)

ALSO-RAN: 9-2 Gypsy Baron (p)
ALSO-RAN: 9-2 Gypsy Baron (p)
10-1 Wartegratik, Miss Melita, 11-1
Woodham (4th.) 12-1 Landing Party, 25-1 Kutizov (1) NR: Meanthooly, 9

TOTE: Win St. A. G. G. G. G. G. G. C. G. C

2.30 (2.34) TURRET HURDLE (Handkap: £1.415: 24,m) (Handicap: 31,445: 2781)
OWEN GLIN, b g. by LevmostIssfana (D. Preen), 6-11-7
Issfana (D. Preen), 6-11-7
I Francome (15-8 fav) 1
Toyco ... R. Goldstrin (14-1) 2
Scalded Cat ... K. Davies (11-1) 3 ALSO PAN 5.1 Share 74th 1. Ash
HUI. 12.1 Srownglon, 14-1 Cold
Justice Dont Touch Song of Life.
16-1 Colonel Christy, 20-1 Athamdullish. Oranmore. Sunchaymer,
Wheel-em-boy, 35-1 Orago Gold, 15 have stready been urged by the Council of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association to reverse

Trainers, bloodstock agents and all other persons involved in wheeling and dealing in the thoroughbred will be in for a busier time than ever next autumn if Goffs go alved with proposed offs go aread with proposed changes to their sales programme.

Talking to their managing director, Jonathan Irwin, yesterday, I learned that the main alternation concerns the date of their principal yearling sale. This may be moved from its traditional slot in the third week in September to the week following the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the date provisionally fixed for October 7 to 9.

That will mean that buyers will have to cope with three big yearling sales in three weeks, starting with the October Sales at Newmarket the week before the Arc; going on to Ireland for Goffs bonance at Kill theo returning to Newmarket for the Houghton Sales.

The main reason behind the at least 6,000 guineas. In an attempt to promote interest in the sale Goffs have undertaken to pay the air fares of English trainers. And they will also be giving bonuses amounting to £3,000 to those vendors who chance to sell the first four group one winners in England. Ireland or France at two and three years and those who also sell the first four group two and group three winners in England and Ireland at two and three years. No yearing will be eligible for more than one payment.

Newmarket for the Houghton Sales.

The main reason behind the Goffs plan to move their principal yearling sale from September to October is the belief that the Arc has become the most important date in the international calendar for the majority of overseas buyers and they feel that they must cash in on its magnetism. From experience they know that many potential customers are not prepared to travel far alield just to the sale in mid-September.

It will be interesting to see what It will be interesting to see what if any is Tattersalis' reaction. They

New ventures

1.)3 (1 17) CHELSTON NUROLE (Div 1. Novices: 4850: 2m 5(4)

1.15 (1 17) CHELSTON NURBLE 1919

1. Novices: (SEG): 2m 5' 5';

Super Selected, ch g, by Agiolo—
Kelly Castle (M. Neckt, 6-11-3

Ulchelle Sherren 16-4 R favi 1

Ricol P. Warner (33-1) 2

Ricol P. Warner (33-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-4 it 24 Soid Front,

1-1 Bally Trek, 12-1 Susits, 20-1

Bleathwood Velvet, feet (1, 22-1) St

Brides, Bay, 53-1 Matching Strides,

Midnight Crace 1p1 Follipoot's Folly

1p1 Pharaph Jinks, Polly Ricd, Rocia
bathus (4th, 16 run, MR; Busha

Survic, Amgers Green, Drursley Boy,

TOTE: Win, 17p; places, 10p, 27p,

50p; dust f -41p, CSF 12-47, 1,

Wardle at Wells, Hd, 15l Sue Lark

Inished first and Super Solected

second, but alwa a steward municy

the placings were reversed. 1.45 (1.49) BARBACOMBE CHASE (Handicap: £620: 2m 150gs) MR O. b g. by Langton Heeth-probably Suste C (R. Barrew: 14-10-4 C Gray 65-1 1 Sarah Louise ... A. Webb (20-1) 2 March Ribs ... P, Leando (6-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Topping, 6-1 Takaski, 8-1 Gillian Rosenary, 9-1 Bruin, Le Toy (p), 10-1 Prisoner of orda (ref), 12-1 Just Spider (4th), 20-1 Fantabulous, Raise You Assun, Romany Echo (p), 13 ran, NR: Stan-wick Park. 4.0 (4.5) . KEEP MURDLE (Drv II:
Novices: 4-y-o: £748: 2m)

SMAILWELL, br g, by Moulton—
Tupulm (Lord Howard de
Walden), 10-10

Crootes ... C. Gwilliam (4-1) 2

Tweel ... G. McMally (12-1) 2

Tweel ... G. McMally (12-1) 2

ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Edde, 2-1 Benling, 53-1 Home Grown (p), 1210.

Singh Sprite Swaynes Folly (44h).

9 ran.

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2.43 (2.47) ST MARYCHURCH HURDLE (Hamilean: £1.797: 2m 150yd)
PRINCE OF BERMUDA, b g. by Prince Transerion-Marke May (J. Harmett), 5-10-0
Parleur D'Or
S. C. Knight (2-1 far) f
Parleur D'Or
S. Smith Eccles (7-2: 2
Strathelyde ... M. Williams (5-1e 3
ALSO RAN: 9-1 Robin Hood (4th: 10-1 Baltiree, Ram (10-1 Betty's Kiss, 14-1 Baltiree, Ram (10-1 Baltiree), Ram (10-1 Ba 3.15 (3.19) COCKINGTON CHASE (Novices: £1,499 2m 150yd) (Novices £1,499 2m 160yd,
RIGHMEDE, gr g, by Rumarmede—
Selly Isles (M. Stephens),
7-11-9 (M. Stephens),
7-12-9 (M. Stephens),
7-13-9 (M. Stephens),
7-14-9 (M. Stephens),
7-15-9 (M. Stephens),
8-16-9 (M. Stephens),
8-16-TOTE: Win, 39p; places, 11p, 13p, 16p, Dual F: 44p CSF; \$1,36, M. Stephens, at Taunion, 6l, 10l.

Williams cautioned

The Newton Abbot stewards were quick to act on the latest edict from the Jockey Club, when they cautioned John Williams for excessive use of the whip on Lucky Victory, who firished fifth to Barrow Chief, beaten 43 lengths in the Ellacombe Handicap Steeplechase yesterday.

3.45 (3.46) CHELSTON HURDLE (Division II; Novices; £857,50; 2m

Dr Craven said he had met the Sports Council fact-finding mission, led by the chairman, Dick Jeeps, on Tuesday. The delegation had heen fair and objective and had stuck to rugby in contrast to the French parliamentary mission, who had concentrated on political aspects. "I don't hlame them for that but the one will produce a sporting verdict and the other a political verdict." Dr Craven admitted that sport and politics at the present time could hardly be separated. Catterick Bridge programme

Dr Craven said he had met the

12.45 DINSDALE CHASE (Handicap: £421: 2m) 5 420-5 Siewars Regai, W. Barreit, 10-11-1
10 60-20 Relkoume, W. Thraing, 9-10-11
11 39-5000 Franch Tremer, B. Tranke, 9-10-11
12 82-23f Reg Wolf, A. Polis, 18-10-9
14 6-50000 Milbit, D. Chagarra, 8-10-6
3-1 Clever One, 7-2 Four Star v-2 Red Wolf, 5-1
Starter, 10-1 Relkolime, 12-1 obbots. the dates of their two main yearling sales.

Recently the TBA carried out a
survey, with the cooperation of
Tattersells. I hasten to add, to
gauge reaction to the idea that
the Houghton Sale should precede
the October sale. The poll. I believe, was about two to one in
favour of a charge.

Goffs propose to stage their
sale to two ports. The first day
will be devoted to what they call
a select invitational sale. This will
total between 40 and 80 exceptional lots that could be expected
to fetch at least 40,000 guineas
each. It will be held in the
evening and the order will be
alphabetical based on the dam's
manual. the dates of their two main year-1.15 MALTBY HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £671: 2m)

1.20-10 Hei Shet (B), W. C. Watta, 8:11-12

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. H. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. H. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. H. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. H. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. H. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.213 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Fallerby, 5-11-10

2.214 Boy (D), M. C. Eatlerby, 5-11-10

2.215 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.215 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.216 D4032-0 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.217 Co Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.218 Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.219 Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.219 Bartle Me Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.219 Boy (D), M. Cheandre, 5-11-5

2.229 Bartle Me Boy (D), Dopys Bartle, 4-10-7

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2.229 Bartle Me Boy (D), Bartle Me Boy (1.15 MALTBY HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £671: 2m) The other three days will com-prise between four and five hun-dred yearlings that should fench at least 6,000 guineas. In an 1.45 STOKESLEY CHASE (Handicap: £1,545: 34m)

2.15 MANFIELD HURDLE (Handicap: £1,124: 2m) 2.15 MANFIELD HURDLE (Handicap: £1,124: 2m)

1 003102 Mr Snow (CD). W. A Stephenson, £-12-0 ... R

2 04-0140 Alterdale (CD). D. MacDonald, 7-11-12 ... L. G

2 12200 Rionore, G. Richard, £-12-10 ... N. E

5 010-22 Ryda Meant (B). W Hetheriogian, 7-11-W W W Methe

6 210-001 Lonesdale (D). K. Heatserby, £-11-3 ... N. E

7 210-001 Lonesdale (D). K. Lamb, £-11-3 ... N. E

8 013003 Billy Rajan (CD). C. Lamb, £-11-3 ... N. E

1 2130- Swager Stot (B). E. Weymer, £-11-3 ... N. E

1 7-2-000 Quay Man (D). W. Remedy, £-11-3 ... R. Ea

1 7-2-000 Stoting (CD). W. Remedy, £-11-12 ... R. Ea

1 0-000 Stoting (CD). R. Swager 50-1-12 ... R. Ea

1 0-000 Stoting (CD). R. Swager 50-1-10 ... B. E

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2 3-4-111 Priddy Friendly (CD). B. Richmond, £-10-0 ... A. C

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4-1 Priddy Friendly. Pd Lunesdair, B-1 Billy Rejan, b-1 Allerdair, Boow, Rionore, 10-1 Kinthury, 12-1 Swagger Stick, 14-1 others.

2 4-5 STAYERS CHASE (D)y I: Novices: £972: 3m) 2.45 STAYERS CHASE (Div I: Novices: £972:3m)

2.45 STAYERS CHASE (Div I: Novices: 1972: 3m)
5.03-9001 Famp's Delight, R. Belhell. 8.11-10 ... A. Bickman
6.00024 Arctic Ander, G. Richards, 6-11-3 ... A. Brown
10.00-01 Brother Steve, W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-3 ... A. Brown
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... T. V. O'Connen
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... C. Hawkins
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... C. Hawkins
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... C. Hawkins
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... S. Claudion
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... S. Claudion
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... S. Claudion
10.00-20f Clever General, N. Crums 9-11-3 ... S. Claudion
10.00-20f Clever General, 10-11-3 ... Mr C. Sample 4
28 Opuso Pones Eoy. R. Robinson, 10-11-3 ... Mr C. Sample 4
28 Opuso Pones Eoy. R. Robinson, 10-11-3 ... J. Jahorwood 7
38 000- Uncle Vanya, J. Jordon, 10-11-3 ... J. Allen 3
10-1 Uncle Vanya, 12-1 Glever General, 16-1 others. 3.15 STAYERS CHASE (Div II: Novices: £964:3m) 15 STAVERS CHASE (Div II: Novices: £964: 3m)

221uID Sunset Cristo (CD). R. Hawker, 6-11-10 C. Grant 4
Caheroyan, W. A. Sieshenson, 6-11-3 R. Lamb
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-3 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-5 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-7 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-7 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, R. Johnson, 6-11-7 P. A. Charlton
Opt Chapel Class, C. Johnson, Chapel Class, C. J. Chapel Class, C. Chapel Class, C. J. Chapel Class, C. Chapel Class, C. J. Chapel Class, C. Chapel Class,

3.45 MALTBY HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £688: 2m)

Kempton Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 Venture to Coguac. 1.30 Glen Berg. 2.0 Lucky Call. 2.30 Crown Matrimonial. 3.0 Mood Music. 3.30 Regal Choice. 4.0 Fata Morgana.

Catterick Bridge selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 12.45 Four Star. 1.15 Bertie Me Boy. 1.45 Rubstic. 2.15 Lunesdale. 2.45 Inter State. 3.15 Sunset Cristo. 3.45 Schumann.

Australian authority is put to the test as Ian Chappell pulls out

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Sydney, Jan 17

While England flew to Mel-bourne this morning, in readiness for the first of their three one-day finels against West Indies there on Sunday, the West Indians came here to Sydney for the last of the 12 preliminary matches in the ode-12 preliminary matches in the one-day competition, against Australia tomorrow. With England and West Indies safely through to the finals, no one is getting very worked up about tomorrow's game except for lan Chappell. who has withdrawn from the Australian side in order to go to Perth where his own state. South Australia, are playing Western Australia in the Sheffield Shield on Saburday

He said: "I've withdrawn because I'm not fit enough to travel over to Perth on the Saturday morning. I don't want to sit in a plane for four hours before a hard Sheffield Shield march". Although one should know better now than to predict how Australian authorities will react to such gestures of defiance, even Australian authorities will react to such gestures of defiance, even they may decide not to choose Chappell for Australia's two remaining Test matches, against West Indies in Adelaide and England in Melbourne. If Australia had not already won their Test series against England it would be different.

Chappell, it seems, frequently would be different.
Chappell, it seems, frequently likes to assert his independence, or challenge authority. He could, together with Marsh, Lilles and Hughes, who will also be playing in Perth, catch an early flight on Saturday morning to get him to

Saturday morning to get him to Perth in time for the match there; but he prefers to do things s way. Although Australia lost all their Atthough Australia lost all their four one-day matches against England, they have beaten West Indies twice. Too much has been made, I think, of the fact that they play less one-day cricket than England. They have, in fact, had more than enough of it to have made a much shrewder assessment its requirements than Greg happell and his players have

Last year those Australians with World Series cricket played 15

one-day matches for what wascalled the International Cup,
against the West Indians and a
World XI, as well as numerous
other one-day games. It may be
that the "circle rule", which was
then in use and prescribed where
most fielders had to be for most
of the game, rendered unnecessary,
the tactical approach. Certainly
when Stevenson, Bairstow and
Emburey were winning the match
against Australia on Monday
night, from an improbable position, Greg Chappell played into
their hands with his field placing.
The world's best cricketers are

The world's best cricketers are seen so often in so many parts of the world these days, in the flesh or on the screen, that except in India and Pakistan it takes a in India and Pakistan it takes a freak to put an appreciable number on the gate, as Richards may well have done yesterday. If that was one reason for the large crowd, another was the fact that Adelaide has not been sated with one-day cricket in the way that Sydnev has. The one other occasion when a crowd has been larger than expected was in Brisbane just before Christmas, when the situation was the same as yesterday's: it was Brisbane's only one-day match and Richards was in the West Indian side.

We are still waiting to know only one-day match and Richards was in the West Indian side.

We are still waiting to know what will happen if one side or the other wios the first two legs of the three-leg one-day final. In answer to one member of the Australian Cricket Board who says the third match will not be played another says it will. Mr Lynton Taylor, speaking for the promotors, says there will definitely be a third match, without specifying who will play in it. It has been that sort of winter, in spite of the assertion of the Australian Cricket Board that it is they who "call the shots". Not surprisingly, a poll just taken among first class Australian cricketers indicates an overwhelming desire to get back to

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Gavaskar's patience puts India in safe position

Medras, Jan 17.—India put themselves in a strong position today in the fifth Test match, scoring 375 for seven in reply to Pakistan's first intaings total of 272. Simil first intaings total of 272. Simil for seven in captain, isid the foundation to this total with a score of 166, compiled in 597 minutes. He had hit 15 fours and aix, a powerful hook off Imran. Gavatkar was bogged down for

The most aggresive batting display today was from the allrounder Kapil Dev, who hammered
the tired Padistani bowiers for an
unbeaten 68 runs in two hours.
His intungs included 10 fours and
a six, a powerful hook off Imran.
Gavatikar, was bogged down for
long periods and unable even to
take singles which would have
given Kapil Dev the strike.

PARISTAN; hast impage, 273 (Maike Only two day's play remain— tomorrow is a rest day—and it seems unlikely that Paklatan, one down in the sixmatch series, can

Gavaskar's knock was never exhibitating but it sustained the innings at a time when it looked fragile yesterday. He was out 23, minutes before the close after giving Qusith an easy catch at third slip of Imrao. It was his twenty-third test century and he has now eathered more than 5,500 runs.

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India resumed thair innings this morning at 161 for four, and did not lose a wicker until an hour after bunch when Yashpal Sharma was clean bowled by Iqbal Qasim.

Gaveskar and his overuight partner Sharma, added 105 runs for the fifth wicket and although the new ball was taken before lunch Extras (5-1. Ib-2, nb-22) Total 17 witte) ... 375
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Book reviews

Comprehensive guide is a decade's labour of love

By John Blunsden if there is a common theme running through the pages of the most successful more racing books, it is that they tend to inform as much as entertain, are comprehensive in their coverage and accurate in their detail, and are presented and packaged in a manner most appropriate to their subject matter. subject matter.

Regrettably, all too often a potentially promising title is spoilt because it falls short in one or other of these areas, and so I find

other of these areas, and so I had it particularly refreshing that in the space of just a few weeks three new books have been published, each very different from the others in content and presentation, but of a standard which is both admirable and rare. both admirable and rare.

Pride of place I must give to Mike Kettlewell's Motor Racing Director, if only for the level of sustained industry and self-sacrifice which the author has applied (over a period of 10 years) to creating a 544-page guide to British motor racing which is remarkable in its scope and comprehensiveness.

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Given the time, you can read about, not just the grand prix stars, but some 200 drivers still on the way up; not just about the big works teams, but of nearly 50 different British racing car manufacturers and each of their products. The structure of a motor race is examined in detail, the function of all the support services emergency, administrative and trade—is explained clearly and supported by biographical notes of key personnel.

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The 1980 edition, published by Patrick Stephens Ltd (1995), extends to 792 pages and should also offer much to the more seriout spectator, most particularly on the subject of the competition on the subject of the competition initing and preparation of cars. It is only by reading carefully the small print of the FIA Sporting Code (this alone runs to 336 pages of English and French text) that one can appreciate fully the extent to which ingenious competitors can go to turn a "show-room" car into a race-winner, and conversely how they are constrained by regulations from overstepping the mark and scoring an unfair advantage. For the technically inclined this is fascinating auff.

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Facts and figures can be compressed into a small-format publication, but the wide spaces of the so-called coffee table book are, I believe, essential to recapture effectively the glamour, colour, excitement and atmosphere of grand prix racing. Autocourse 1979-80 (Hazelton Securities Ltd., £10.95) succeeds admirably in this respect, under the new editorship of Maurice Hamilton, whose choice of photographs, both colour and black-and-white, from the past racing season is highly commendable, as is the reproduction quality achieved from them by a Dutch primer. printer.

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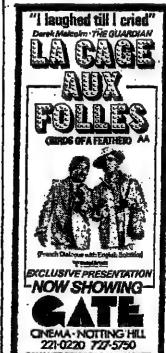
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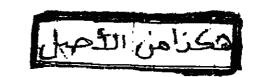
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William (Bill Nighy) was an ordinary provincial journalist who came to London in 1971 in search of a job and a plentiful supply of birds. He found both. supply of birds. He found both. "I don't want to be nostalgic", he warned us at the start of David Hare's first television play since Licking Hitler. "After all, this is only nine years ago." But the tormenting events he described might have been taking place on another galaxy. ing place on another galaxy-for all the resemblance they bore to his conventionally per-missive marriage roday.

I thought Dreams of Leaving should have ended on that ambiguous punch line, but as in Licking Hitler and Plenty. Mr Hare added a clumsy epilogue which introduced a new subject —William's marriage—and by shifting the action away from the central figure blunted the impact of what had gone before. It also risked the portentous by seeking to encommissive marriage roday.

Caroline was a prize-winning photographer. She worked in a smart, rapacious gallery, then for a rock-group. She could also dance well. Her mother's family was Russian and was celebrated at the Savoy in the twenties for eating its food so noisily that it was asked to take its meals behind a screen. She was what the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood would have called a stunner; she was promiscuous, and she was a sphinx. "I love more than anything to make love to strangers", she told William darkly as ers", she told William darkly as she undressed. "It makes me forget who I am." The 'phone

Not the least of Kate Nelli-gans' excentional abilities is the ralent to fill lines like that with intelligence and feeling and make them sound original and

The Hindsight Saga Riverside Studios

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They call it the "anecdotage", that stage of a career or a life when a man or a woman lives on reminiscences. When a man's achievements have been matched stage by stage in his career with anecdotes that have been passed around whenever his name is mentioned, he could perhaps avoid that descent into lokes and stories that is a substitute for new adventures.

Sir Bernard Miles has instead embraced his anecdotage with a programme of recollections a programme of recollections that he calls The Hindsight Saga. It is at times a simple autobiographical display, with slides of his childhood and songs from Sunday school that he encourages the audience to sing. Other moments provide a gently comic display of his skills at mimicry, as he conjures up a picture of a canpy and vaguely illiterate countryman. imicry, as he conjures up a honest display, and as such it is icture of a canny and vaguely meant for those who have wanted to know him better.

His founding of the Mermaid Others may find themselves

Theatre in Blackfriars is per-restless in the darkened audi-haps the single event in his torium.

Leipzig plans to visit Sadler's Wells

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Australian cinema: simple virtues, natural blessings

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My Brilliant Career

The Swissmakers (A) Paris Pullman

convincing at the time. There were others like them ("I never loved anyone. I loved only you") but if Mr Hare was playing dangerously with the Hollywood convention of wretched lover and femme faualc—to the noint indeed, that they never The Movie

point, indeed, that they never did sleep rogether—the vital difference was that the sphinx, having reduced the hero to choking tears and on several

occasions seemed about to re-

real her secrets, slowly recoded from view, and went out of her mind. "I was grateful", said the wretched William as she drifted slowly from the hospital room. "Thank God she was mad."

I thought Dreams of Leaving

tore. It also risked the por-tentous by seeking to encom-pass both the sphinx and her victim within the same explana-tion of human behaviour. The true mood of the play lay not in its slightly artificial literari-ness, still less in its Fleet Street background, but in its desola-tion and the power of its every-day speech, whose rhythms Miss

day speech, whose rhythms Mise Nelligan perceived and phrased like a singer. "If only you could look as if it mattered less

to you", she remarked sorrow-fully at one point. "If it just

mattered less to you, then you'd be fine."

life that still gives his name currency. In his programme, which he chooses to call " Pages

from my life, a sort of personal jumble-sale." he emphasizes the Mermaid's history. It is "nice to be informative", he says. "We can't be funny all the time."

He is as good as his word shout not being funny all the time, and his recounting of the Mermaid's construction and demolition, and the proposed reopening in 1981, is dry. There are other recollections that pass without humans including air.

without humour, including pic-tures of his dining-room and back garden where his intent is elegy. Still, it is the humour that saves him several times,

though I have laughed more at other stories of his life than the ones he chose to tell at

The performance by Sir Bernard is an attempt at auto-biography in the form he knows

best. It shifts from the nearly mendlin to sentimental rural comedy suggest that it is an

Riverside.

Newspaper film critics have been going too soft on Austra-lian films, according to the Pravda of orthodox good taste in film, Sight and Sound. Well, perhaps the renaissance in Australian film-making in the last 10 years was sometimes greeted with overgenerous enthusiosm, but there were very few other film movements during the Seventies of such consistent quality.

When original, as with Phillip Noyce's Newsfront or Donald Crombie's Caddie, Australian films were often the tralian films were often the most stimulating around. But for every one of those there were several humdrum efforts. They were usually set in the last century, made easy use of the bewitching Australian landscape, kept on the straight and narrow of narrative cinema and above the progressed change and approximate the straight and narrow of narrative cinema and above the straight and straight a and always progressed chrono-logically. Peter Weir's Picnic at Hanging Rock set a stand-ard to match but his competi-

tors rarely attained it.
In such a context, it is with
some besitation that I commend My Brilliant Career, a first feature from Gill Armstrong. Like most Australian films, it is a costume drama, set in 1897, which starts at the beginning and ends at the end and uses to the full the natural benefits of the Australian light and countryside. It is, none the less, an extraordinary debut and a gifted piece of film-mak-

ing. Taken from Miles Franklin's novel, it relates the noble and humorous emergence of an independent woman, Sybylla, in an age when women were con-sidered little more than men's sidered little more than men's playchings. In one brief scene, as her father rolls over in bed before sleep, we are told the root of Sybylla's social rebellion. She is the product of a marriage between a humble farmer and a well-to-do woran who married, for love, well beneath her social level.

Sybylla, with a foot in either

Sybylia, with a foot in either class, learns to take the best from both worlds. From her

Those who lived through the holocaust of Mainstream can sleep soundly once again, Arena has arrived, not a moment too

programme. Not only did the subject—a profile of the British architect Richard Rogers— never pail, it was so skilfully

unfolded that in just 35 minutes

you learnt, and easily, a whole lot about the man.

Richard Rogers and Renzo Piano created the Beaubourg

Arts Centre in Paris, better

known among buskers as the Pompidou Centre. You could

Pompidou Centre. You could say they have turned architecture on its head, if they had not so evidently turned it inside out. Plumbing, electrics, lifts, escalators, all criss-cross the exterior in a colourful filigree of pipes and tubes. The young

in droves to perform watch, stroll, stare, enjoy. All very Parisian. I have seen the future

Rescuing forgotten British music is becoming quite a

music is becoming quite a feature of the BBC's "Sacred and Profane" series at St John's, as well as presenting

various programmes under that none too exclusive title. On

Wednesday, with no chorus to

vennessay, with the charts to carry the religious burden, John Pritchard and the BBC Symphony Orchestra offered two seldom-heard memorials representing the sombre: Rawsthorne's Elegiac Rhapsody for Macreica and the Little Sum-

Macneice and the Little Symphony which Alexander Goesic composed as a tribute to his

The Rawsthorne piece, played

by a modest string orchestra, benefited from church acoustics

which were made all the more reverberant by the unfortunate

smallness of the audience, and

which cast a veil of wistful sad-

ness over the light dancing grace that Mr Pritchard fittingly

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Judy Davis as Sybylla in My Brilliant Carecr

more fun is to be had among the lower orders.

Part of the quiet power of the film comes through the acting of Judy Davis, who gives Sybylla a lively, sparkling intelligence and a robust, insolent sense of purpose. But equally important to the creation of this rounded, symputhetic portrait of a precocious feminist are the skills of social observation and the sensitivity observation and the sensitivity of the production team. Although both the fine photography, by Don McAlpine, and the editing were by men, Gill

phrase, speaking of Beaubourg

wanzing buildings to zip together like clothes". Only

later do you realize clothes do

The programme was evidently on his side. A man with a

clown's red nose, a child of three reading a book, rouched our hearts on behalf of the

colourful steel and glass. But it was not all adulation.

Rogers's functful plans for a site on London's South Bank

arms and they were given their

ably of "the theatre of the

seen if that magical French concocion will work here.

pose in fulfilling a minor master's role.

pite its title, is much more ambi-tious. The very slow first move-ment consists only of an epitaph for strings in five short

phrases, but this then becomes the subject of a wide-ranging

symphonic discourse whose elegance and tautness were pro-

inently displayed in this per-

Mr Pritchard succinculy em-

phasized the diversity of charac-

ter among the variations which

make up the second movement,

but the contrasts were balanced

in a way that lent drive to the argument. The third movement,

much too elaborately worked to

be called a scherzo, was kept from appearing insistently the-matic, and the finale was a fully

coherent if circuitous return to

the music of the opening. Un-

to be played in York Minster.

However, the "churchy" sound only underlined what is

offensively knowing in Britten's

Serenade, though the piece was saved by the freshness and the

ringing appeal of Ryland Davies, who obliged one to

accept bis lyrical offerings as

Goehr's Little Symphony, des

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Richard Rogers spoke admir-bly of the theatre of the

not zip together much.

gonists. Most dominant female roles have been created in response to the box office's need to show certain actresses, such as Bette Davis, Katherine Hepburn or Greta Garbo, in control of events. My Brilliant Career does not stem from that commercial tokenism but from a desire to tell a good from a desire to tell a good personal story about a woman.

ferent. By joining the servants and the hands in the marquee

maternal grandmother, with whom she stays, she acquires the easy grace of a well brought-up girl and a discerning eye for the good things of life. From her father and her home circumstances, she has learnt that women need not be The ending, too, avoids the obvious solutions to a story of conflicting wills. Although begged to marry by a rich man, who accepts and under-

stands her as an independent woman, she reluctantly turns him away, saying that she has only just begun to break out of the straitjacket of social norms and that it is too early

theme of Rolf Lyssy's The Strissmakers, an unlikely comedy about the erratic progress of three people towards becoming of Swiss nationality. To become Swiss, apparently, you cannot just show a willingness to obey their laws and have a little money in the bank. You must become a model Swiss citizen, with a proper savings book, the exact pronounciation, a thorough knowledge of Swiss history, the correct, unexciting political beliefs, a Swiss palate and a fervent passion for Switzerland. zerland.

Excellent to settle down to a conventional life just yet. As the final credits roll, Sybylla is standing information, the Swiss have a looking over a five-bar gate, having slipped the manuscript for My Brilliant Career into the rustic, makeshift post box.

Racial inequality is the

that the comedy is based.

Max Bodmer (Walo Lüönd) is an eager servant who can, without shame or embarrass-ment, inflict his company on would be Swiss and judge them against his own ignorance. like all natural censors, he is a man of little imagination with which he has built up a subwhich he has built up a sub-stantial stock of mean, reac-tionary ideas. Laughing at this small man, showing himself up for the cretin that he is, makes fair comedy. But if the film is seriously intended to expose a thoroughly nasty system, and the sort of personnel it attracts, then the humour should have jumped off the fence more often and faced the ugliness full on.

The Movie is a weekly magazine which, if kept, builds into a history of the cinema. To judge from the first six issues, the intention seems to be to present clear, factual, readable accounts of the films, the stars, the directors and the studios. For this it must be welcomed. There has been an upsurge of interest in the history of the cinema, largely stoked, I suspect, by the pride of place given to old films on television. If The Movie encourages a more critical assessment of these films, it will be doing a good service.

The magazines are lavishly illustrated and include contributions from some very distinguished names, including our own David Robinson, who is owo David Robinson, who is the magazine's consultant editor. At the moment The Movie is marching through the familiar story of the coming of sound and we are on safe territory. There is very little room for argument here and, for many movie buffs, the magazine will only reinforce what they already know.

As time goes by, however, we will be reaching more uncertain ground, as we come certain ground, as we come closer to the present day and-which may seem strange—as we dig back through the history of the silent era which was so quickly buried and dismissed after The Jazz Singer made the art redundant. It is then that The Movie can be expected to be more controversial and will deserve more constructive criticism. constructive criticism.

Nicholas Wapshott

David Robinson is at the

Songmakers' Almanac Purcell Room

Now Richard Rogers is busy with plans for Lloyds of London. Will he, can he, does he intend to do the same here? Not exactly. While his think tank of colleagues in beards and Fair Isle woollies discuss the shapes of tomorrow, men in trim suits and neat ties assert "It isn't going to be another Beaubourg." William Mann

A prime merit of this brilliantly accomplished concert-party, now some four years old, is their combination of excellent entertainment with high arristic erriousness. Success has not soon, to salvage the BBC's music
and arts from death by a
thousand paper darts. This
opener to the new series was
a fine and flamboyant way to
shirt. His ideas are clearcut.
restore faith in a single topic too, and he has a neat turn of tempted the Almanac away from their South Bank home in the little Purcell Room. They sell it out every time, but are evidently aware that in a larger hall they would not convey the same atmosphere of Schuber tiad intimacy, nor be able to read the linking commentary (shared between tham) naturally, without raising their voices. Quite soon they may have to give each programm more than once in the Purcell Room, to satisfy the number of regular customers: mean while one hopes that they are finding equally sympathetic halls eisewhere in which to repeat the most original and satisfying of their recitals.

> A typical example was Wed nesday's "Portrait of a Year"-not 1880, which any of us might have thought appro-priate, but 1888, the year in which Hugo Wolf composed his first three sizable collections of mastersongs, an achievemen which my predecessor Harry Celles dubbed "The Poetic Supremacy Act of 1888". After that, composers of song had to respect the poetry they set, or be deemed vandals. In this musical portrait the Almanac's pianist and moving spirit, Graham Johnson, centrasted some of the 1888 Wolf songs with others of the same year, as well as contemporary writ-

> In 1888 the Eiffel Tower was being built, Kniser Wilhelm II came to the German throne Punch began to serialize The Diary of A Nobody, Edison invented the phonograph. Also invented were the safety-pin the electric kettle, and the Kodak box-camera

In France Debussy produced the magnificent Ariettes oublices, Godard his Jocelyn (the famous "Berceuse" was included). Reynaldo Hahn, aged 13, composed his best doubtedly the resonating space again helped in proving the resilience of this work, written known song, "Si mes vers" and Faure his "Cimitière" (an eloquent performance by Sarah Walker). Wolf's sougs were set against these, and against some by Tchaikovsky and Brains (object of Wolf's harred) and young Richard Strauss, as well as Ethelbert Nevin and Molloy whose "Our Last Waltz" has an insidious refrain, worthy of Millöcker, say.

They were all relevantly in-troduced by the singers and pianist, to general laughter when two of the sexiest Wolf. Morike songs were contrasted with outbursts of British moral fervour in that year. The American tenor Robert White was a useful guest, in both speech and song, likewise Jill Gomez though words are nor supreme in her singing, and her soft top notes tend to flutter. Richard Jackson, their baricone, was in lively form, likewise Mr Johnson-Song makers' Almanac are never disappointing.

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Just what takes Irving's fancy

On two successive Thursdays this month, first at a benefit preview, then at the official premiere, Robert Irving will raise his baton in the orchestra pit at New York State Theatre pit at New York State Toearre to unleash a set of historic sounds: the arresting first chords of Fancy Free. Doubly historic, because 36 years ago they marked the beginning of the great partnership between Leonard Bernstein's music and phy, and because now they rerepresent a kind of challenge, as New York City Ballet takes up a work that has hitherto been almost a trademark for American Ballet Theatre.

Irving is primarily a New forker nowadays, although Yorker nowadays, although still a very English one. Happily, however, the back of his head has once again become a familiar sight in the Covent Garden orchestra pit on ballet nights, thanks to guest engage-ments with the Royal Ballet this season and last, as well as New York City Ballet's exhilarating season there last September.

When we met before one of his latest performances, he was looking forward to conducting looking forward to conducting Fancy Free, not only for its own sake but also, characteristically, because "we have a number of young dencers now who will do it very well, I think". He had some kind words, too, about this paper's enforced silence during the September season, which prompted me to ask whether he agreed with the opinion, expressed by some of the New York critics, that London audiences had failed to understand or enjoy New York City stand or enjoy New York City Ballet and its works.

"No", he replied, "my inpression was that a lot of nice, intelligent, unbiassed people were getting much interest and pleasure from the season. Some of the programmes were not exactly easy for people unused to the company: the Stra-vinsky night, for instance, which began with a group of rather severe and uncom-promising ballets; but audiences seemed prepared to concentrate and they res-ponded well."

I wondered how he enjoyed coming back to conduct the Tchaikovsky full-length classics after the very different repertory in New York, with its varied styles but generally ambitious standards. "It is certainly more difficult to creaduct The Sleeping Beauty, as I did last season for the new production, or the new Swan Lake now, than to go into the pit and conduct a triple bill of short ballets, which really present few problems to me.

"There are questions of balance to be maintained through the evening. Of course, I remember the works from years ago when I was here, and when it came to preparing Swan Lake this season I found a number of changes which had come to be accepted from what I had known in the past. There were certain things

I always remembered and cared about, and I had to decide when to stand out for them and when to be prepared

enjoyed returning to the Royal



let career, as much as they and their audiences liked welcoming him. But it was not always easy to accept engagements away from New York City Ballet; even between Swan Luke dates in London he went back to conduct performances of Nutcracker there.

"I find that as I grow older. I grow more like Dame. Ninette; I am not very good at delegating", he said. "And nowadays the company works increasingly hard. We have grown to be completely accepted, artistically, socially and economically, in New York, and the company has taken its rightful place in society. So there are long seasons at State Theatre, and our sons at State Theatre, and our regular summer season at Sara-toga Springs, which is a delightful place to perform. In addition, we have imdertaken seasons in other large cities, sometimes in association with the local symphony orchestra, which is an important part of our responsibility.

"Then during 1980 we shall by performing a great deal in Europe. Copenhagen has been eager to have us back again and we shall be performing there for two weeks; then we are going to Berlin roo, and Paris, where they want us for three weeks."

remains staunchly English in speech and manner. I asked him why it might be that several British conductors specializing in ballet, including himself, had gone to work abroad. Was it the repertory that tempted them, the working conditions, or where they perhaps better paid overseas?

"I would like to think that last doesn't enter into it, to accept change."

although I fear it does. In
Hard work it may be, but
my own case, as you know I
frying makes it clear that he had worked with Balanchine Ballet, where he began his bal- -when he came to mount Ballet

imperial during one of New York City Ballet's early sea-sons. So when I was offered u permanent job with his comchief attraction is to work with a choreographer who is a complete musician himself, wh knows exactly what is needed.

"Also, it is not easy to work with an orchestra that has in play for opera and ballet. I am not in any way denigrating who are very good, but their prime concern is with the opera. In ballet, you need to to anything unexpected hap-pening on stage; it is a dif-ferent kind of response from is something I find with our orchestra in New York who play all the time for ballet-

"One pleasure I have experienced lately is my relationship with the young dancers. It's not like a father and thild relationship, more like grand-father and grandchild, so there gap, and I find that now I am much closer to them and they feel able to come to me with their problems."

As we were meeting close to the season of goodwill, of gifts and fine intentions, I thought of asking Irving what he would Although thoroughly at choose if he could have just home nowadays in New York, one professional wish granted choose if he could have just a good fairy. "Oh dear, that is difficult", he said, and had to think for a while before finding the answer. "Do you know, I think what I would most like, given the resources for it, would be to have Balanchine produce The Sleeping Beauty. He knows and understands the work, and has his own strong done, and has wanted to state it but that was never practicable. I think that really would

John Percival

How Russia could swiftly move in fresh troops

been bad for everyone except arguably for western military arguanty for wastern minary intelligence officers who, contrary to popular belief, detected the first signs of Soviet mobilization several months before the Christmas coup.

Moreover the operation has some according to plan—a gone according to plan—a Soviet plan maybe, but at least one whose basic pattern has long been understood in the

In that sense the Afghan crisis has been an exercise for risis has been an exercise for Nato intelligence techniques and analytical skills, and a vindication of them. Specialists whose job it is to assess the likely pattern of any Soviet offensive against the West will not at least have to return to the drawing hoard.

Intelligence reports of Soviet activity began to filter through even before the late President Hafizuhlah Amin seized power last September. Some analysts roint to an even more long-standing Russian aim to install Babrak Karmal, whose relationchip to the Kremlin resembles that of a dummy to a ventrilo-quist. But it is doubtful if the Soviet intervention would have been as dramatic without the growing unrest in Afghanistan and the parailel collapse of

western investment in Iran. Reports that Mr Breziner opposed the Afghan operation are meanwhile being discounted as the indirect outcome of Soviet propaganda designed to preserve his reputation as the apostle of detente. Analysts helieve that the Kremlin drew an embargo on American grain and a threat to the Moscow Olympics—and placed their faith in the success of a "cool public relations exercise in

Militarily there is certainly no doubt that the Russians foreraw the Afghan adventure as a limited operation which would

Tabul
The former Darulamen Royal
Palace of Kabul stands at the
end of a long boulevard flanked
by plain trees. A four storey
structure of Austro-Hungarian
design with brightly-painted
yellow walls and stucco decorations around the main door.
Two huge holes smashed in the
roof and the blackened frames
of the upper windows provide

of the upper windows provide silent evidence of the shellfire

which deposed president Hafi-zuitah Amin. Once "loyal com-rade Amin" of the Khalq wing of the People's Democratic Party but now the officially despised Butcher of Afghani-

directed a torrent of machine gun bullets at the President's

offices. Popular—though not governmental—beilef has it that Soviet troops fired the fatal rounds at the politically bankrupt dictator, ushering in a new

phase of the glorious if some-what turnished Saur revolution.

In any event, Russians now man

the long range artillery in the park beside the palace and sit beside the machine-gun batteries on the avenue. It is Soviet,

not Afghan, power, that keeps Babrak Karmal in the new and

refurbished presidential offices

south of the city.

Afghans who take a sanguine

attitude towards their tortuous revolution—and the optimists are totally confined to PDP

members - regard Karmal's noisy accession as a corrective

movement in the revolution.

A jolt back onto the path laid down in April, 1978, by the avuncular Nur Mohamad Tarraki whose work was mutated by Amin's barbarous ambitions. Tarraki's overthrow of the Kinge course Daywell.

of the King's cousin Daoud ushered in a new era of socialist

Just who fired those shells is still a subject of much conjectore in Kabul. Amin himself died in a smaller building 300 within the yards to the south when six amounted personnel carriers

emerged

The Red Army is nearly 2,000,000 strong, and about two men out of three are conscripts serving for two years. With a turnover of 5,000,000 or so conscripts every five years, all of zories of the reserves until the age of 50, the overall size could be more than trebled within a week of mobilization.

Those serving help to form about 173 divisions, according to the International Institute for Strategic Studies (other estithe International Institute mates vary marginally), 47 of which are armoured divisions, with 11,000 in each, 118 are so-called motor rifle divisions with 13,000 and eight are airborne divisions with 7,000. Of these, some 31 divisions are based in Eastern Europe, in East Ger-many, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, while the rest are stationed throughout the mili-Union itself, including 46 near the Chinese horder. Not all these are un to

strength on a continuous basis. Some, including all those in Eastern Europe, are Category A divisions which are kept in a state of compat readiness, or only slightly below that. Others are Category B which are only at half-strength and the rest are Category C which are at one-quarter strength and are little more than cadre formations, relying upon the mobilization of reserves to make them ready war. This can be done quite

Nato's worst-case estimates are that Category A divisions can be brought up to strength in 24 hours, Category B in 48 hours and Category C in 72 hours—and the Afghan operation has been been a fine and the Afghan operation has been been as a fine and the Afghan operation has been been as a fine and the Afghan operation has been as a fine and the Afghan operation has been as a fine and the Afghan operation has been as a fine and the Afghan operation has been as a fine and the afghan operation has a fine and the afghan operation and the afghan operation has a fine and the afghan operation and tion has largely confirmed these

according to the

line, and Kermal is now pledged

to continue this and imperialist work on behalf of the people of Afghanistan. Of course, this exotic view of Afghan history bears little relation to the truth. Tarraki was not deeply loved by the people by

his people but a president whose secret police locked up

opponents and whose most dangerous ideological enemy

within the party was not Amin but his new political inheritor,

who broke away from Tarraki's Khalq (People) movement in the late 60s to form the Par-

cham (Flag) wing of the PDP and there still exists in Kabul's

musty bookshops printed evidence of Tarraki's distaste for

the philosophical Marxist who now mourns his predecessor's

A red-covered biography of Tarraid, for example, which the new regime has unaccountably failed to withdraw from circul-lation, carries this unflattering

Babrak Karmel, who was rum-

oured to have connexions with the Royal Court, imposed on the party in 1967 a division in ac-cordance with the wishes of the

ruling circles and a number of

innocent and true patriots were

led astray by him and thus kept

away from contrade Tarraki

according to the wishes of im-

perialism and the reactionary

Karmal's claim to have taken on the mantle of Tarraki's leadership looks very suspect when such quotations—from

For the Afghan operation the



Russian troops pose beside an armoured vehicle on the outskirts of Kabul,

Russians used only units from the 24 or so divisions in what is loosely described as the southern districts of the USSR, although the invasion was under the command of a Moscow-based general who is now in Kabul, Most of the divisions are Category C motor rifle divisions, locally reinforced by rapid mobilization of reserves.

Spearheading the invasion was the 105th Guards Airborne division from Eastern Uzbekistan, a Category A unit which was airlifted to Kabul by a fleet of Houshin-76, Antonov-12 and giam Antonov-22 freighters belonging to the 1,200-strong Air Transport Command. Each A-22 is capable of lifting a T-63

Together with the 105th in Afghanistan there are now two motor rifle divisions, and a variety of assorted smaller units. Intelligence sources discount press reports of five or even seven full divisions in the country and also believe that country and also believe that estimates of between 80,000 and 100,000 troops are an exaggera-tion. The total number in Afghanistan is believed to be nearer to 50,000, although other units are mobilized near the

These additional troops could be introduced to the country in the next few weeks—and wift

April) has been one not of in-

terrupted social progress and

and-imperialists struggle but of

almost constant and bloody in-

ternecine feuding. Tarraki was

shot by Amin's bodyguard in

September, 1978, after himself

apparently preparing Amin's

own assassination. Amin died

last month as the Russians man-

neuvred Karmai into power. It

was no idle question when a reporter asked Karmal at last week's Presidential press con-ference how long he expected to live. To such violent party

instability have the Soviets allied themselves in Afghani

"It is not, however, the bloody

Why Karmal and the Russians

should have known better

For hundreds of miles

across Afghanistan the

villages remain virtually

unchanged since the

days of Ghengis Khan

books published under Tarraki's quality of political life in the

guidance-can be so easily country that presents the Rus-

found. And indeed, the record sinns with their greatest diffi-

of the PDP since the Saur revo- culty. What threarens their

lution of 1978 ("Saur" means credibility-quite apart from

Western military intelligence officers detected the first signs of Soviet mobilization several months

probably be needed if the Russians switch to a concentrated offensive against Afghan tribesmen in the mountains. At present Soviet forces are being used mainly in support of Afghanistan's own forces—or in counter-strikes following assaults by tribesmen on Soviet

before the coup

keep to the rules and rotate them when their three manths tour is ended in, say, March? Such an offensive could be Although MiG-21s and MiG-23s

to support the Red Army—as eather improves, unless the Russians decide that it would be wiser to concentrate upon the restoration of relations with the West and the Third World: Certainly at present their objective would seem to be to consolidate their control of key towns and communications while encouraging a return to more-or-less normal life in the Few observers think that they have much chance of eliminating insurgency among the hillmen, and that their only realistic aim must be to bring down the violence to an "acceptable level"—e phrase well known to the Army in Northern Ireland.

How long this micht take is

ing the inference that the Russians are treating the Afghan operation as regional adventure and an example to vassal states which might be tempted, by Islamic or liberal inclinations.

Hemy Stanbope Defence Corresponden

pressed by the army. There may just have been enough support for his coup for Karmel to have undertaken some measures which would allay the suspicions of the peasantry. The most obvious characteristic of the four principle rehel groups lighting the regime is their lack of unity and although some religious figures, including Pir Gisland have publicly detected to the rebels. Sunni Islam in Afghanistan possesses no hierarchy and so no Muslim leader bas come

social aspirations but are governed by the constant pre-occupations of family, religion and diminutive but inherited But if there is one common denominator calculated to unify opposition to Karmal it is the historical distrust and hatred of foreigners, an attitude that has been defined over centuries of invasions and attempted occupation. Already this has begun to identify it-

> It was therefore one thing for Karmal to open the prison getes at Polechowkri and to rid Afehanistan of Amin. It was quite another to do it with vier armour. Karmal's arrival in Afghanistan was not in itself resented. His mistake was that

Hind helicopters—the equipment used has been standard Russian issue with little sign of the most modern weapons. of the most modern weapons. Tanks ferried into the country have been T-62s and even T-54/55s with no confirmed sightings of the latest T-72s—despite press reports. Many of the "soft-skinned" vehicles have been civilian trucks, which is normal Russian practice in Intelligence sources are draw

to reverse the process of Marxist revolution.

How long this might take is

itself a matter for speculation. Strictly speaking the reservists who have been recalled to rein-force the units now in Afghan-

stan are subject to only three

months' service in any one year

ional emergency. Most were mobilized within a few weeks

of the Christmas coup and were probably given a short reintro-duction to the military arts be-fore being dispatched over the frontier. Will the Soviet Army

on heritage of orthodox Sunni

Islam rather than by central

government in Kabul. The

Soviets should have seen this

through the footbills of the

Hindukush, the villages on each side of the road remain

virtually unchanged since the day of Ghengis Khan. Fortified

farms with mud battlements lie

on plateaus amid the snow, their inhabitants sitting in the shadow of the walls and watch-

ing with medieval suspicion

the road to Kandahar. Their lives do not revolve around

When he seized power in 1978, Tarraki made no attempt

to construct any bridging material between this feudal society and the Marxist con-

cept of an equal society that had by now become ensurined in the PDP. His sudden leap from tribalism involved land

reform and progressive legislation including the emancipation of women. These potentially

heneficial measures, however, only exacerhated the hostility

of a people who looked—and to some extent still do look—

to the tribal allegiance of a king rather than a bureacrat supported by a foreign governthe tribal allegiance of a

Turraki's decree number six for example exempted peasants from repaying loans to land-owners on whose property they

the distant foreigners travelling

Success in consolidating its position in Afghanistan could, ever, tempt the Russians to try it again in a few years' time, should the opportunity present itself. It is unbelievable that the Russians could now contemplate a premature with-drawal from Kabul. But it is also debatable whether the West can contemplate a speedy return to normal relations, leaving the Russians firmly in

rented. But the legislation took no account of the landowners' right to control irrigation and those who took advantage of the decree found that their newly acquired pastures went dry. When Tarraki's Govern-ment introduced adult literacy classes for women, men in the villages refused to allow their wives and daughters to attend. They were supported by the Mullahs and in several towns, this apposition took violent form and was ruthlessly supfor themselves. For hundreds of miles across Afghanistan,

forward to raify the people.

self in the anonymous Islamic group whose activities in Kabul were reported in *The Times* earlier this week.

he brought the Russians with

Geoffrey Smith

The battle Labour's right must fight

thing it is to change and you only do that by trying". This sentence from the first instalment of Mrs Barbara Castle's diaries in the Sunday Times is characteristic of much thinking characteristic of much thinking in the Labour Party and points indirectly to one of the principal difficulties now being experienced by the right wing. The week has been dominated, from the party's standmoint, by disclosures of the infiltration practised by the Militant Tendency. This and other extremits movement pracent. extremist movements present a double challenge, of organiza-tion and of policy.

Much has been heard of the danger that unrepresentative groups may take over the party organization, and of the need to counter this threat by mobiliz-ing the strength of the right and centre more effectively. But battles within the Labour Party are always fought in terms of policy as well as organization simply because organization simply because there are so many people who joined the party in order to change things. A self-consciously radical party must by its very nature attach especial importance to policy.

So what does the right have to offer today to put against the policies not just of the Militants but also of what Mr William Rodgers calls the legitimate left? Essentially legitimate left? Essentially managerial competence, which s very necessary in government but not very exciting in oppo

I have suggested in the past that the Labour Party really has two right wings, the managerial right and the right wing of ideas. But this second wing is in decline. There are a number of reusons for this. One is that a number of its most stimulating figures have the stimulating figures have left active politics. Anthony Croskand is dead. Mr Roy Jenkins is in Brussels, and he made it clear in his Dimbleby Lecture that if he does return to British politics it will not be the beauty of the problem. in the ranks of the Labour Party. Mr Brian Walden has gone to television. John Mackintosh is dead and Mr David Marquand has made his way to scademia by way of Brussels.

A second reason is that Crosland revisionism which provided the philosophical base for a generation of right-wingers has been outdated by events. The principal theme of this docuring which wes ser out this doctrine, which was ser out most fully in The Future of Socialism in 1956, was that the purpose of socialists should be to bring about greater equality in the broadest sense, economic sand social, by means of ambitious government programmes and the redistribution of income. Public ownership was so be an more than one, not particularly favoured, method of achieving this end.

The trouble with this doctrine was that it assumed a high the swaregy was bound to fail, ledged in his essay, Socialism Now in 1973. If the resources required cannot come from the fruits of rapid growth, they must come from higher taxation of existing incomes. But higher indirect taxes put up prices; higher direct taxes provoke compensating claims for higher money wages and malaries. In our slow-growth economy the shift of resources away from personal consump-tion has harshly exacerbated the problem of inflation."

These words have gained added forces since Crosland wrote. His prescription can hardly seem relevant at a time of negative growth, public ex-penditure cuts and drooping expectations. Yet Labour right-wingers have yet to replace it with anything of comparable substance. Instead they have become a group of the anti-left and of efficient management. This is scarcely surprising if one considers how much of their zime and energy in recent years thes been taken up in repelling the attacks of the left and in the cares of office.

When Sir Harold Wilson

decided that he wanted to make Robert Fisk Labour the natural governing what it wan party he was implicitly giving from doing.

that ambition priority over Labour's role as a radical party. To be the natural governing party it is necessary to appear safe to many voters. To be con-sistently radical it is necessary for a party to spend a fair amount of time in opposition in order to replenish its store of ideas. The art of government is largely one of management. The pressure of day-to-day problems is such that speculative thought on the future of society is something of a luxury fo overburdened ministers.

Yet when Labour lost the General Election last May it had held office for 11 of the previous 141 years. So it is small wonder that a number of minis-ters who began their careers with the right-wing of ideas and who belong there by instinct and inclination, had gravitated to the managerial wing. Their principal belief was in efficient management in the national

It might be said that that is enough, if the Thatcher experi-ment fails then a bit of plain man's pragmatism will be as much as we may reasonably expect and possibly more than we shall get. A party that took its stand on the postwar con-sensus of the mixed economy, muted monetarism, cooperation with the unions and an attempt to negotiate an incomes policy, might then claim to have been justified by events.



Dr David Owen: a philosophy in the '80s

But even if such an approach was sufficient in those circum-stances for government. I doubt if it would be enough to win Labour's civil war in opposirion. Dr David Owen recognized as much a week ago whan he spoke of the centre and right having neglected the philo-sophical as well as the organizational develop party. He went on to advocate a philosophy for the 1980s that would revive "the strand of fraternity and cooperation with-in the Labour Party", and to propound in particular the cause of cooperative ownership

His broad theme, his search for a socialism that would not depend upon state centralism. would seem to me to be along the lines that Labour ought to policy of cooperative owner-ship is concerned, there is certainly scope for its extension. But I doubt if it will expand at such a pace as to form the centrepiece of Labour policy in the next few years. It is likely to seem to most people either too limited or too fururistic to serve the immediate

political purpose.

The essential point for Labour's right-wing, though, is that it needs to engage fully in the battle of ideas. It will not defeat the left if it appears to be no more than the anti-left. Nor can it win by organ-ization alone. If it is to regain the initative within the party it will need to propound themes and broad policies that will kindle enthusiasm for what ir wants to do, not just for what it wants to stop the left

CHINA DIARY

Bill posters will be

prosecuted I never knew Democracy Wall

when it was the barometer and progenitor of Chinese political thought, every change of pos-ter being scrutinized by the hundreds who milled about it and debated by the press and embassies of the world. It was a symbol for some-thing important that was stir-

thing important that was stir-ring in China, but like many such symbols it had to be des-troyed. The wall remains, but it is a puny wall, grey, squar and charmless, next to a non-descript bus depot. There is unly one poster on it now, saying that posters are forbidden. There was no-one around, except for one couple talking

quietly in the shadows.

It is difficult to believe that what was on that wall ouce stirred the imagination of millions. It lacked dignity, and I was sorry that I had seen it

Importing the worst

sand bicycles; the hooting of regret it.

cars and buses (the relative sparseness of the traffic far outweighed by the Chinese driver's passion for the horn); and the unembarrassed hawking and spitting of the people. apparently being slowly edu-cated to the use of spittoons but with no leavening of the decibel level

I was not prepared for so many advertising hoardings for consumer products. I suppose it was to be expected that the Japanese would be dominant in advertising their wares, but there were some depressing there were some depressing bill-boards for local products: mothpaste and cashmere jumpers for instance. They were disconcerting because the smiling girls depicted did not look very Chinese. It was as if the artist bad tried to draw an all-purpose but round-eyed Eurasian face so as to make the European feel more at

serious effort to attract foreign investment and participation, and has opened the country to Peking is a city of three fluences to take root, and I am sounds: the swish of a thou- not sure that they will not

Disco dancing, for instance, is hardly one of the exports in which the West take most pride, but there it was, at a hali at Peking's International oan at Peking's international Chub, the Bee-Gee's Saturday Night Fever being bopped to, mainly by local Chinese, with foreigners looking on. Such dancing has only been allowed in Peking for less than a year, but those Chinese permitted to frequent the clubs have taken to it with great charm.

> I am not sure whether this was another concession to us. but it grieved me deeply to leave behind, both in Peking and Shanghai, row upon row of beautifully maintained snooker tables unused and ready to play on.

to it with great charm.

Tridentine tradition

The Catholic Church in China and the Varican have been at arms length for 30 years, since Rome, during one of its more virulent anti-communist phases, and has opened the country to foreign visitors as never before. In their sincere attempt to make the visitor feel at ease, the Chinese have allowed "western" cultural influences to take root, and I am not sure that they will not was consecrated—an event amounced by the China news

agency but cold-shouldered by the Vatican.

their military intervention-is

the almost total failure of each

Soviet-backed regime to make the social and material progress expected of a modern socialist

state. Only now, it appears, are

the Russians beginning to understand the reasons for this

failure and to realize that the

ideology imposed on compara-tively sophisticated societies in

Eastern Europe cannot be

grafted with the same mixture of loud enthusiasm and

of loud enthusiasm and brutality unon the uneducated peasantry of Afghanistan.

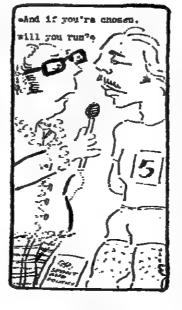
For this is one of the poorest, most isolated lands in the world with 95 per cent illiteracy, a nation whose fifful unity has been held together by traditionalism and the com-

Left to itself, and not subjected to the modernistic tend-encies of the Second Vatican Council, the Charch in Peking has happily continued to cele-brate Mass in the Tridentine tradition. The lack of vernasular, however, appears to have had a surely unwanted effect: had a surety unwanted effect: it was noticeable that the con-gregation at midnight Mass on Christmas Eve was very largely elderly. It was a well-attended—2,000 or so people and moving ceremony.

An addity was the apparent lack of a confessional, which caused some of our party to go caused some of our party to go to extraordinary lengths to justify their taking Communion. There was nothing secretive about the ceremony, and no feeling that the congregation were acting in any sparit of defiance. So far as we could determine, relations between this Church and the state are relaxed.

Cantonese capitalism

I was with the first-ever group of British lawyers to visit with lids, so that it would not China. The trip, well organized by the Society for Anglo-I was with the first-ever group



Chinese Understanding, in-volved numerous formal meet-ings with various levels of offi-cials and experts. At every meeting there was a constant

the status of our hosts. At communes and factories

it was a sturdy, strong-leaved brew. Middle-range legal officials served us slightly scented. Hongkong hesitant tea. The most senior political figures on our agenda CONNEXION gave us tea so delicately scented and coloured that it was like drinking hat water. Public kissing and cuddling among the Chinese increased among the Chinese increased dramatically as we travelled south. There was none of it in Peking, not even couples walking hand in hand, and this was not just because of the cold weather, I was told. Along Shanghai's evocative water-front promenade, many couples were strolling arm in arm and behaving like courting couples. A stroll along the Pearl River A stroll along the Pearl River in Canton was much more European. Entwining was rife, and we were duly shocked.

We were shocked, too, by the mercenariness of the Canhave been surprised. A city which holds a trade fair, and has close family, and, increasingly, business, links with Hongkong must inevitably fall prey to the capitalist influence. It was nevertheless, sad to bave the taxi-driver who

to pick us up again at a stated time unless he was paid the full fare there and then

Gloria Vanderbilt apart from being a lady famous for being rich, is also now a high-class and expensive brand of jeans. I wonder how many wearers realize the conditions in which they are made? In a worker's commune near Canton, we saw a hundred or so women hunched over their together denim jeans destined for Minnesota. They were in effect working for a Hongkong businessman under a kind of arrangement which is becom-

ing increasingly popular.

The entrepreneur (who was in fact born on that commune before finding his fortune across the bonder) provides the material, the sewing machines, basic training, and helps towards building the factory. The commune workers turn the denim into skilfully finished icans. At the end of finished joans. At the end of five years, the communa keeps the machinery and can use it

had taken us to the river refuse I could not help reflecting that the businessman had got the better of the deal-fiveyear-old Singer machines is not really payment enough for five years' labour. It was also dispiriting to see Chinese seamstresses carefully finishing off their meticulous work by sewing on the dishonest label: " Made in Hongkong ".

Unexpected impressions

My three most unexpected inpressions of China: First, the cleanliness of the cities and the people. There are lew countries in the world where I would be happy to dine in a workmen's eating house. I went into several in China, and went into several in China, and not one was less than spotless. Second, how wrong the myth of Chinese impassivity and inscrutability. There was a great deal of singling and friendliness, but even when serious there was animation. Third, the quality of the light, especially in the north A hery cially in the north. A hazy translucence is the best I can

Marcel Berlins

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BLOODY WET IN EUROPE

way that Chancellor pean parmers seems to be that countries which voted with the Schmidt chose to present his government's position on the Afghan crisis in his statement to the Bundestag yesterday was unfortunate. He bracketed the Afghan problem together with the Iranian one, and pledged West German support for the United States in both cases, He was not as feeble as M François-Poncet, but that sets an unmatchable standard.

The fact is that the two issues are quite different in character. In the Iranian context it is quite correct to speak of offering support to the United States, since the crisis concerns American diplomats who have been taken hostage. But in Afghanistan there is no particular American interest at stake. There is first and foremost an Afghan interest. Next there is the interest of other states in the region which are potential victims of the next Soviet aggression. Thirdly there is the interest of all those who depend on the Middle East for their energy supplies-and West Germany does so to a much greater extent than the United States. Finally there is the interest of the world in general, which may suffer if the Soviet Union is encouraged to think it can invade other countries with impunity. If Afghanistan, why

not us? In asking other Western countries to cooperate in applying sanctions to the Soviet Union. therefore, President Carter is not appealing to our sense of friendship or loyalty as an ally. He is appealing to our sense of selfpreservation. He should not need even to do that, because our sense of self-preservation ought to be well enough developed to perceive the threat, and to want to do something about it, without waiting for an American leader to point it out to us. It is particularly infortunate that, while the British Government clearly does see matters that way, the If one wants evidence of this, instinctive reaction of our Euro- one has only to look at the list of

Afghanistan is outside Europe. and therefore an American responsibility, and that the only problem it poses to European countries is to reconcile their twin duties of supporting the United States on the one hand and preventing the unpleasantness from spilling over into

Europe on the other. Of course we all agree that the last thing we want is a heightening of Russian pressures on Europe, particularly at a moment when Yugoslavia may be about to embark on the uncertainties of the post-Tito era. But how best can we discourage the Soviet leaders from attempting to take advantage of any problems that Yugoslavia encounters? Is it by allowing their invasion of Afghanistan, at the alleged invitation of a Communist leader whom on arrival they promptly killed, to pass with no more than a censorious clicking of tongues? Or is it by showing that we recognize aggression when we see it, and are prepared to respond to it with firm action even at some cost to ourselves, even at the risk of "jeopardizing détente "?

It really should not need repeating that détente cannot be a one-way process. And it really should not be supposed that détente can be cultivated in Europe if it is ignored in the rest of the world-if only because Europe is dependent on the rest of the world for many of the raw materials on which its industrial prosperity is based, with oil of course foremost among them. Détente can be successful only if both sides accept its rules. one of which must be that neither side uses force to take over non-aligned countries; and it is now amply clear that the Soviet leaders will not accept that so long as they think the West will let them get away with

so if the armed forces of either the Soviet Union itself, or one of its other allies had not been used either to put the government in power or to keep it there; and then notice what a fine bunch of them-Mozambique, Angola, Ethiopia, Laos, Grenada and Afghanistan itselfhave been brought into the Soviet orbit since détente was officially proclaimed. To these one should add South Vietnam, no longer represented by a separate government, and most of Cambodia, now ruled by the pupper Heng Samrin government, which happily the United Nations does not recognize; and possibly some of those which managed to be absent when the vote was taken, such as Libya and the Seychelles. (Actual abstention must be taken as a sign of at least residual independence.) And one should not forget the coup of 1978 which consolidated Soviet and East German control of South Yemen. During the same period, only Egypt, Somalia and perhaps now iraq have gone the other way, and in none of those has there

Soviet Union against the resolu-

tion on Afghanistan in the

general assembly, and ask how

many of them would have done

Western armed intervention. In all three the same people stayed in power throughout the decade. and are still there. They saw the threat posed by Soviet presence to their independence in time. The sad truth is that the main European response to repeated Soriet aggression has feeble-or, as Mrs

heen even the remotest hint of

Thatcher is said to have described it "bloody wet". This feebleness is dangerous. The lesson of modern history is that the polar bear moves against weakness, and recoils from strength. The idea that there is safety in weakness when dealing with the Soviet Union is absurd; what is sad is that this European weakness also means disunity.

THE MARKET PRICE FOR MORTGAGES

society finance, recommending as it does that the societies adopt more competitive interest rates, will not please everyone. Not least it is utilikely to endear itself to existing borrowers for whom it is suggesting relatively higher mortgage rates than those to which they have become accustomed. The report is, however, a thoroughly rational document and has two particular merits. It forces the building societies to recognize that their present attempts to apply a conbetween investors and borrowers is highly dubious; and it forces the politicians to recognize that it is pure humbug to call on the societies to improve the flow of mortgage finance while simultaneously urging them to hold down the cost of mortgages.

The gist of the Stow Report is that in the face of inexorably rising mortgage demand during the eighties (particularly with the government's programme of council house sales to he financed), the societies should make it their principal priority to clear the market. In other words, they should see to it that they raise sufficient money to ensure that mortgages are available on demand, and not, as so ing industries costs-a develop-

The Stow Report, on building often at present, only after many months of queueing.

In spite of the implication of rather higher costs attaching to house purchase in future, the basic recommendation of the report should be viewed favourably. It is consistent with Conservative policy of maximizing freedom of choice by allowing market forces to take their course; it should reduce frustration among would-be home buyers, and reduce the possibility of house purchase chains collapsing; it should help the housebuilding industry; and it should have rather more opportunity to achieve real returns.

There are, however, a number of further points that need consideration. First, the precise marginal cost of generating an adequate flow of money into the mortgage market is not clear. What is clear, however, is that despite the societies estimate that they are roughly two-thirds self financing in terms of their lending, any attempt to meet total mortgage demand would require the attraction of a significant quantity of new savings. This would tend to raise the general level of interest rates in the economy and lay the societies open to the accusation of increas-

ment that a government committed to market principles would, presumably, have to learn to live

Second, the notion of societies meeting mortgage demand in full by becoming more competitive must assume that they will be prepared to make more frequent changes in their interest rates. That may be acceptable for investors but is unlikely to be ideal for borrowers. tainly, the societies could continue to use their liquidity cushion to prevent too many minor fluctuations in mortgage for less frequent changes in mortgage rate, say six monthly or annually, would have to accept the trade-off: rate changes, when they did come,

could be quite large. Finally, it follows from the fact that the overall cost of house buying would rise that a number of people on lower incomes would finally bave to drop any hopes of aspiring to home ownership. This is not a problem with any easy solution, but at least the present programme of council house sales at below market prices has opened up the possibility of home ownership to a far larger number of people than would otherwise have been the case.

A HARSH AND REPRESSIVE REGIME

main argument for restoring of Dr Sheila Cassidy, who was diplomatic relations with Chile imprisoned and tortured in 1975. to the level of ambassadorsthat British interests are in general best served by having representation at that level, and that having an ambassador in a country is not a sign of approval of its government. President Pinochet's regime does have a particularly brutal record, but it is not significantly worse than a number of other regimes with which we have full diplomatic relations. So on this view Wednesday's decision to send an ambassador to Santiago, after an absence of four years, is essentially a matter of ending an anomaly. It puts us back in line with the United States and most other west European countries, which have found that having full diplomatic relations with Chile is the best way to bring influence to bear, as well as helping to promote commercial

interests. This rather theoretical line of argument does not however take account of the full implications of the move. The last British ambassador was withdrawn from

From the Reverend C. Gordon

Sir, Canon G. B. Bentley (January

8) expresses the opinion that Car-dinal Hume's article in The Times

would have been better for an infu-

sion of Realpolitik. Cardinal Hume

can speak for himself if he wishes,

but it seems to me that Canon Benriey's letter is so full of worldly

pragmatism (which, I take it, is what he means by Realpolitik) that

it certainly could have done with a

strong infusion of Christian

Cardinal Hume did at least enunciate the vital Christian truth

that "for Christians, the belief that

God became man in Jesus Christ-is

Christians and politics

It is hard to quarrel with the Chile because of the specific case But it was generally seen as having a wider significance, as a broad condemnation by the Labour government of the excesses committed by the military regime since it took over power from President Allende in 1973. The decision by a Conservative government to send an ambassador once again suggests either that the Conservatives do not take such a serious view of the behaviour of the armed forces in Chile or else that they consider there has been a significant improvement in human rights there. This, 21 least, is the way that it will be interpreted both in Chile and elsewhere, and in either case it will give considerable encourage ment to President Pinochet and

his regime. The decision is not simply a neutral act, therefore, but one which was actively sought by the regime as a way of improving its abysmal public image, and posi-tively discouraged by members of the democratic opposition, still deprived of all normal means

the decisive event of human history and that the consequent

belief in man's divine dignity
"creates an inescapable obligation
to defend and foster all human life

This seems to at least one

Christian to be much nearer to the true spirit of Christ than the impersonal calculations of the so-called

balance of power—especially in the age of indiscriminately destructive

from conception to the grave".

nuclear weapons.

GORDON WILSON,

St John's Vicarage, 14 Dane Bank Avenue.

Chairman, Anglican Pacifist Fellowship,

Yours faithfully,

Crewe. Cheshire. of expression, who saw it as strengthening the regime. There are, besides, no obvious gains for Britain in it. There is no reason for supposing that having an ambassador in Santiago rather than a chargé d'affaires is going to make it significantly easier for British firms to win civil con-

tracts.

Even the Chilean statement, expressing regret for any improper treatment that Dr Cassidy may have received, falls short of admitting that she actually was tortured, let alone undertaking to punish those responsible. The regime is in fact resisting all attempts to account for the hundreds of people who have been tortured and killed since the military came to power. It has also retained the apparatus of repression which enables it to hold down organized opposition, and still includes torture as a way of extracting information. It is true that it is not the only repressive system in the world. and that we send ambassadors to some of the others. But is that a reason to make it a gratuitous present?

Out of this world

From Mr C. E. Carrington Sir, Your article of January 12 is correct in naming Mr Springbett as the fastest man in the amosphere but wrong in claiming for him a

record circumnavigation. He did not cross the equator by took a short cut round a sector of the northern hemisphere. Or perhaps I should more accurately say,

Circumavigation implies crossing the equator, or a meridian at two opposite points. Tam. Sir. etc. C. E. CARRINGTON, 56 Canonbury Park South, N1. January 12.

Whim-wham From Dr Ewen McEwen

45 Pearce, Avenue, Poole.

£005€ 21. Yours truly.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Intervention or the free market: the price of gas

Cambridge. January 16.

of the proposed substantial increase in the price of gas, in the context of the large profits made by the British Gas Corporation.

However, you do not identify the basic cause of this situation, namely that not only is British Gas the monopoly supplier, but that, also, a provious Government fixed the price paid by British Gas at well below the going rate elsewhere—there was thus achieved the dual result of inhibiting exploration and production while stimulating consumption—that is exactly what the United States Covernment did by its—also politically moriested— control of the prices charged by United States Utilities, with consequences which are now apparent.

That is, surely, why we now find ourselves in the totally absurd posi-tion of a demand for gas which cannot be met, and that at a time when very large quantities of North Sea gas are being flared. Further, it is reported that Shell's new major gas discovery in the Norwegian sector will probably be piped, not to the United Kingdom, but by a very much longer pipeline to Western Germany, at a price comparable to oil.

Is not the obvious answer to reverse the decision giving British Gas a monopoly, and m allow the price fixed, to the producer, to be fixed by normal market procedures. We might well, then, also see a proper development of down-stream activities from North Sea gas feed-

WILLIAM MCEWAN YOUNGER, 29 Moray Place, Edinburgh. January 16.

From Projessor Lord Kaldor, FBA Sir. In your leading article today (January 16), on gas prices, you (January 16), on gas prices, you say that "this country has indulged in muddled thinking about its nationalized industries for too long". The "muddled thinking" arose from the obligation imposed by law (introduced by the Attlee Government) to relate the prices charged for services provided by nationalized industries to the costs of production (including a normal return on capital) and not to charge return on capital) and not to charge the monopoly price—the price that

"the traffic can bear".

Gas is "underpriced" because oil has become too deer. The rise in the domestic oil price to levels dictated by the sheiks of the Middle East is justified in turn by the argument that this is necessary for providing incentives to the consumer to economise on oil and to switch to gas and coal. If the incentive thus provided turns out to be

Economic decline

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From Professor T. W. Huschison

Sir, Lord Balogh and Mr Opie may be right in dusing the relative economic decline of Britain from "about 1880". But they are wrong, by approximately 20 years, in asserting that laissextaire and free trade principles were then "mally dominant", or their influence "at its height". As Professor Hobsbawn (in his Industry and Empire) has

observed, "the peak of British laissez-faire" was "around 1860", — (when Britain was known as the workshop of the world)—and "the foundations of laissez-faire crumbled

Vital among the new government measures of the 1870s were the two Trade Union Acts of 1871 and 1875, which laid the foundations of union

power, and incidentally, permitted picketing; and which, according to Professor Hobsbawa, "gave the unions a degree of legal freedom which conservative-minded lawyers

which conservative-ininded lawyers have since, at intervels, attempted to whitele away." Anyhow, none of our main competitors, then or since, have suffered such handicaps to industrial efficiency as British trade strion legislation has imposed. This is not to assert any over-simplified relationship, but the timing state has been desired.

More recently, after World War II, the economy of the German Fed-

ring must be noted.

in the 1860s and 1870s."

From Sir William McEwan Younger
Sir, In your leading article roday
(January 16) you discuss the maner
of the proposed substantial mercase
one for reducing the domestic oil price, not one for aligning gas and electricity prices to the ludicrously

electricity prices to the ludicrously inflationary price of oil.

If, on the other hand, the "unmuddled" principle of nationalized industry pricing is to charge what the traffic can bear, irrespective of costs, then what remains of Sir Keith Joseph's argument that the "taxpayer" should not be asked to foot the losses on steel? If high demand justifies a huge profit on demand justifies a huge profit on gas, then surely the present low demand equally justifies a huge loss on steel-particularly when the excess profit on the one is ample for covering the losses on the other? Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS KALDOR, ine's Collège,

From Mr Geoffrey W.-W. Pontin From Mr Geoffrey W.-W. Pontin

Sir. The price of electricity should rise, the price of gas should not.

A purely political decision to give cost parity to electricity and gas (a fossil fuel) must result in permanent, locked-in, stresses between the two industries which will never be relieved until it is finally appreciated that the end product of a conversion process (in this case elecversion process (in this case, elec-tricity) is inescapably charged at a rate than its input morerials (fossil fuels). Conversion efficiencies of 30 per cent are normally

Electricity is a quite different form of energy to gas tand the other fossil fuels) and the fact that all forms of energy can be used for heating purposes is unfortunate but incidental. Higher grades of energy can always be used for lower grade

Since we are now taught that energy consumption is a form of fin, it is instructive to note that the church recognizes different grades sin for which different penances are required. In this context, elec-

rical hearing is deserving of at least five hall Marvs.

Even Marie Antoinette never suggested that the price of flour be increased to line up with the price of cake. I am. Sir. your obedient servant.

GEOFFREY W-W. PONTIN, Chairman, Control Technology Limited, Bolney Avenue, Peacehaven,

January 16.

From the Reverend Dr Chad Varah Sir, You state that there is no rational reason (sic) why one sector of the public (gas consumers) should pay less for their energy than the other (consumers of electricity).

eral Republic, the ourstanding

western economic success of recent

decades, started with the advantage

of sensible, and quite restrictive.

Balogh, in 1950, complained bitterly of the "obsolete" and "iniquitous"

policies of Dr Erhardt, which

"helped to weaken the trade unions", the "weakness" of which, he alleged, "may even inhibit increases in productivity",—(25)

ning for growth", reality, 30 years

larer, has turned out rather differ-

eatly, hasn't it? While the poor in

this country, like almost everyone

else, have to put up with far lower real incomes, and far inferior social

real incomes, and far inferior social services, compared with their counterparts in the GFR, the only class which has obviously done better far itself has been that which has profited from union and anangoid lobbery. Of course, the demands for protective triffs, put forward by the unions and their supporters, are intended further to beighten union power.

union power.

Selly Park,

Birmingham January 16.

Yours faithfully,

T. W. HUTCHISON.

75 Oakfield Road,

trade unions in this country). In spite of our marvellous " plan-

Those who chose gas, as I did, because it was a domestic product, cheaper than electricity, less lab-ourious than solid fuel, and independent of Arab oil, are now shown

to have been prudent. It is not reason, but a false philosophy, which wants prudence to be no more dvantageous than fecklessness or follishness. The price of gas should not be put up to serve the politics of envy. Alternatives should be produced more efficiently to bring their prices.

down or rejected by the prudent. Yours faithfully, CHAD VARAH. Si Stephen Walbrook, EC4.

From Mr Gavin Gray Sir. The philosophy of this Government, according to their many declarations, is based on the free market, supply and demand, without interference by the state. An excel-lent example of this theory working in real terms is provided by British Gas. This organization provides an efficient service for the customers efficient service for the customers at a reasonable price and also makes a good profit. Surely, this is a perfect example of the Thatcher,

Joseph ideology in practice.

Why, then, does a Government devoted to the free market and abhorring intervention, interfere with the market price of gas? In your leading article you say "... gas has been underpriced ... How can this be when British Gas makes such a satisfactory profit?
Yours faithfully,

GAVIN GRAY. Westria. Green-Court Road. Swanley. Kent.

From Mr S. B. Smee Sir, I write with regard to your article "Gas is not dear enough".

I have taken The Times since 1936, apper of course, for the period when you suspended publication for when you suspended publication for reasons. I have never understood but which appeared to have something to do with the charge of the Light Brigade. During that period I did not take a newspaper but bought The Sun instead. Sir, be warned. There is a limit to

I have gas central hearing. We cook by gas. One more article trying m justify the Gas Board putting up its prices still further and I go back to The Sun! A commodity can be too dear but never too chesp. I am, Sir, yours disgustedly, and

course your obedient servant, B. SMEE. S. B. SMEE. 123 Goring Road. Worthing, Sussex. January 16.

From Professor G. C. Allen, FBA Sir, In their criticism (January 15) of the Memorandum (January 9) addressed to Mrs Thatcher and Mr Callaghan. Lord Balogh and Mr Opie argue that it is fallacious to ascribe the British Disease to government intervention, since its symptoms were evident long before that intervention became extensive. But these historical facts are not in dispute. The Memorandum was not concerned with an analysis of the concerned with an analysis of the causes of the British secular relative decline. It was addressed to the present problem of inflation, a maledy from which Britain was free. in peacerime, until after the Second

The Memorandum's central proposition was that the monetary policy that is being applied as a remedy against inflation is being frustrated by monopolistic prac-tices that effect the labour market and many transactions in goods and services in both the public and the private sectors. Unless these practices can be got rid of, some degree of flexibility restored to prices and costs, and the power of vested interests to resist change overcome, monetary policy can at best provide only a partial solution and inflation will remain with us.

Yours, etc. G. C. ALLEN, 15 Ritchie Court. 380 Banbury Road, Oxford.

An ambassador's art

From Mr John Whitehorn Sir, Signor Ducci's charming and Sir. Signor Ducci's charming and self-deprecaring account of his structure as Italian Ambassador here (January 14) does less than justice to two of his most valuable and still greatly needed contributions that good ambassadors, and their staffs, make to good relations between countries. First, no matter how quickly or how often ministers or senior officials or executives of companies from different countries wish each other, their encounters benefit enormously from briefing, debriefing and essessment (not to mention ing and essessment (not to mention ranslasion) by the men on the spot, who already know personally the visawis, their tendencies and their

Second, diplomacy—that is to say persuation to, or at least understanding of, a point of view—needs to go on continuously at all levels of the host country's machinery of government, places of influence and decision making if at is so succeed. That is why businessmen trading overseas, with whom as overseas director of the CBI I used to work. consistency oppose attacks on the Foreign and Commonwealth Service by stay-at-home MPs and others. The fewer gun boats we have in commis-sion, the store and better resident bilingual persuaders we need on the public as well as the private

Yours faithfully, JOHN WHITEHORN, 42 Ordoance Hill, NWS.

Sir, There are several catch phrase replies to a silly question about what one has been doing, given by Hotten, The Slang Dictionary, 1859, and later editions, including: "Making a trundle for a goose's eye", and Making a whim-whem to bridle a

The Ulster conundrum From Mr P. W. Duncanson

Sir, Discussion of Northern Ireland's Sir, Discussion of Northern Ireland's constitutional position is greatly hindered by the misuse of words. Mr Cecil Lewis (January 10) refers to the "withdrawal" of the United Kingdom from Northern Ireland. The name "United Kingdom" refers specifically to the new kingdom created in 1801 by the union of the Kingdom of Great Britain and the Kingdom of Traland This and the Kingdom of Ireland. This was modified earlier this century with the detachment of two-thirds of the Irish population to form the

The United Kingdom is now the kinedom formed jointly by Northern Ireland and Great Britain. If, therefore, the union of the territories is ended the United Kingdom will

Cease to exist.

One can therefore reasonably refer to the withdrawal of Britain from the United Kingdom or, as seen from the other side, the expulsion of Northern Ireland from

the United Kingdom.

If the union is dissolved then Great Britain will need to find a new national flag and, unless

Protecting freedom From Mr Paul Sieghart

Sir, Lord Shawcross (January 11) uary 9) only in part.
The list of converts to the notion

of a modern Bill of Rights on our stature book grows apare. Lord Hailsham, Lord Denning and Pro-fessor Dahrendorf, once arriculate by sometiments of principle, subject to statements of principle, subject to equally vague exceptions", which meone would have to interpret.

Quite so: that has been the case in every one of the world's coun-tries which (unlike the UK) have accumulated a wealth of experience in interpreting just such "vague"

Northern Ireland takes the status of a kingdom under Her Majesty, a new Royal Standard.

Contrary to what is stated by Mr and Mrs Tony Firth (January 11) the possibility of an independent Northern Ireland has been suggested. There is a local political group dedicated to this, and a few years ago civil servants of the Northern Ireland office under the then Secretary of State Merlyn Rees were actively canvassing the idea. Very few people could see any merit in the idea.

However, I suspect that when many people in Great Britain refer to the benefits of independence for Northern Ireland what they really mean are the benefits to Great

Northern Ireland what they really mean are the benefits to Great Britain of independence from Northern Ireland.

It would be of great service to the people of Northern Ireland if those in Britain who wish for independence for Great Britain would say so plainly and openly.

Terrorists thrive on a diet of minced words. minced words.

Yours faithfully. P. W. DUNCANSON, Lisburn. County Antrim.

countries.

has met Mr Bennion's point (Jan-

followed the example first set by France in 1789 and the USA in 1791. The US Supreme Court has

legal provisions. So have the con-stitutional courts of dozens of other

So, over nearly 30 years, have the European Commission and Court of Human Rights, interpreting the European Convention which would be the leading candidate for the text of a new Bill of Rights of our own.

Why should our judges fail, where all those others have succeeded? When I once asked a distinguished member of our judiciary whether he and his brethren would find in difficult to interpret the European Convention if it became part of Buglish law, his reply was: "Yes, at first we would. But we would soon learn. After all, that's what we're here for ".

Yours etc. PAUL SIEGHART. 6 Gray's Inn Square, WCL January 14.

A tower opposite

the Tate From Mr E. L. Howard

Sir, The Archbishop of Canterbury in his letter to you (January 16), complains of "lack of publicity" for the proposed European Ferries building at Vauxhall Cross. In reality the developers, and we as their architects, have taken consider-

able pains to secure publicity.

Quite apart from normal statutors advertisement, European Ferrics mounted two public exhibitions (one of them within 100 yards of the Archbishop's London residence), sent a full press statement to national and London evening news-papers, and the local authority notified more than a dozen bodies concerned with environmental and amenity questions. Moreover, the BBC's Nationaide programme tele-vized part of the first day of the public inquiry (December 11).

The Archbishon and his co-signatories also refer to the building as "the Green Giant" and describe it as clad in green glass. This is not so, it will be clad in a light tinted glass giving an appearance of trans-parency, and though a final decision as to the exact tint has ver to be taken, we cannot use green glass because it would fail to protect the

chibits in the galler spaces.

The proposal is, incidentally, to house some of the Tate Galler's modern art there; it is not and has never been proposed to put the Turners there.

It is a great pity that the Arch-bishop and his co-signatories have not been present at the inquiry, cither in person or by written representation, or (with one exception) communicated with the Inspector presiding. None of the scheme's eminent critics seem to have considered it necessary to accommon their minds with the full

have considered it necessary to encumber their minds with the full facts, which we would have been happy to assist them in clarifying.

We have brought both the Archibishop's letter and the previous day's letter from Lord Duncan-Saudys to the attention of the Inspector Yours faithfully, E. L. HOWARD,

Abbott Howard 1-2 Bromley Place, Conway Street, W1. January 17.

Access to Public Records

From Dr Charles Cruickshank Sir, The debate on the closure of the reading rooms in the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane is an interesting example of the principle that most of us are happy to see public expenditure cut so-long as it does not affect our particular interest. The case against closure is based on two main con-siderations: inconvenience to readers; and danger to records carried between Chancery Lane and

I do not share the alarm and despondency generated by the latter. Magna Carta has survived a turbulent seven centuries. Domes-day Book has done even better. In any case the few rausom-worthy documents could still be read in Chancery Lane, leaving the bread and butter material to shuttle between Chancery Lane and Kew with a risk of theft or damage which is perfectly acceptable. Moreover, if the records most in demand are moved to Kew, only a tiny handful

will have to run the gauntlet of terrorism inclueration by accident, simple hijacking, etc. etc.

The second consideration—inconvenience to readers—is less important. The efficiency of record production at Kew and the admirable facilities there are such that the average reader can increase productivity even if more rime has to be spent commuting to

Kew.

I might add that my own private fear, which I have not hithern found it necessary to communicate to your readers, although I believe there is more substance in it than those which trouble Professor Davis, is that a Jumbo jet bound for Heathrow might have the misfortune to crash land on the splendid building at Kew and demolish the nation's records in a matter of hours. However, I would not argue that this makes a case for moving PRO Kew—or alternaively Landon Airport—to the Outer Hebrides. Yours faithfully,

CHARLES CRUICKSHANK. 15 McKay Road. Wimbledon Common, S1V20, January 14.

Future of motor industry From the Group Managing Director of Rolls-Royce Motors

by Rolls-Royce Motors

Sir, Responding to the suggestion
hy the Managing Director of Dunlop Holdings (Jamery 10) that
satisfied users of BL products
should stand up and be counted.
Rolls-Royce Motors have an all BL
fleet of cars and trucks.

In the nine years since our new company was formed, early in 1971, we have operated virtually all models of BL cars and trucks and our transport management assure me that the performance of these vehicles has been thoroughly satisfactory, and in terms of operating cost and overall value for money. they see no virtue in changing the present policy.

Yours faithfully, DAVID PLASTOW. Group Managing Director. Rolls-Royce Motors Limited, Cheshire.

Dashed hope

January 10.

From Lady Le Bailly Sir, One of the more pleasant aspects of the return of The Times was the hope that we should see and hear less of your Political Editor on

It seems a pity that he wastes so much of your valuable space (January 12) grizzling about Mrs Thatcher's magnificent interview with Brian Walden. But the splendid way in which the former wiped the floor with Mr Emery some months ago remains a happy memory for many of us, however much it clearly still rankles with him. Yours faithfully,

PAMELA LE BAILLY, St Tudy.

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THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
January 17: Princess Alexandra.
Patron of the Bethlem Royal
Hospital and the Maudsley
Hospital, this morning visited the
new staff hostel and other departments at the Bethlem Royal
Hospital, Beckenham.
Miss Mona Mitchell was in
thematore.

Birthdays today

Lord Bowden, 70; Mr Cary Grant, 76; Sir James T. Henderson, 79; Lord Henniker, 97; Air Marshal Sir Leslie Mayor, 64; Lord Seebolm, 71; Sir Michael Stewart,

An ecumenical service of thanks-giving for the life of the Rev Dr Ernest A. Payne will be held in Westminster Abbey at 6.0 pm on Wednesday, February 27. In order that the appropriate seating arrangements can be made, those intending to be present are asked kindly to notify the Deputy Registrar, The Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard, London, SWIP 3PA. by not later than February 13, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope.

A memorial service for Joan Viscountess Ingleby will take place on Tuesday, January 22, at Boly Trinity. Brompton, at noon.

Shipwrights' Company

The Shipwrights' Company has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Prime Warden, Dr Demis Rebbeck; Renter Warden, Mr D. F. Martin-Jenkins; Second Warden, Sir Anthony Grover: Third Warden, Sir Charles Alexander: and Fourth Warden, Dr D. S. Clarabut.

Russian Orthodox Church in Exile

A special prayer service (moleben) for persecuted Russian Orthodox believers in the Soviet union will be held on Sudday, January 20, at 12.45 pm at the Bustian Orthodox Church in Exile (Emperor's Gate, SW7). The recent arrests of Father Dmitri Dudko, Father Gleb Yakunia, Mother Valerya Makeeva, Lev Regelson and several members of the Christian seminar in Leningrad and Moscow cause deep concern. We ask you to pray for all cern. We ask you to pray for all persecuted Christians.

Richmond School and Tutorial College

Full Term starts today. Mark Frazer is head boy and Alice Pitman is head girl. A foundation memorial lecture will be given in hall on March 12. Term ends at midday on March 28.

Forthcoming marriages

Dr S. Brearley and Mrs M. F. Thomas

The engagement is announced between Stephen, eldest son of hetween Stephen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Roger Brearley, of Mossley Hill, Liverpool, and Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Collier, of Tunbridge Wells.

Mr J. C. Churchill and Miss K. M. Bowman

The engagement is announced between John Charles, only son of the Dean of Carlisle and Mrs J. H. Churchill, and Kathleen Mary, second daughter of the late Mr R. W. Bowmen and Mrs I. Bowman, of Maryport, Cumbria.

Mr R. Savill and Miss P. A. Brown

The engagement is announced between Richard Savill, of Paddock Wood, Lightwater, Surrey, and Patricia Ann Brown, of I Warwick Avenue. Clayton, Newcastle, Staffordshire. Mr C. Deacon

and Miss A. Cormle The engagement is announced between Christopher, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Dearon, of Weybridge, Surrey, and Ann. elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Cormie, of Wimbledon Village, London, SW19.

Mr A. C. Franklin and Miss C. S. Elion The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Norman and Jill Franklin, of 78 Lawn Road, London, NW3, and Caroline, daughter of Miles and Marcia

Eiton, of 24 Ranulf Road, London, NW2. M J. M. Nost and Miss E. J. Pattison
The engagement is announced between Jean Marie, eldest son of General and Mme P. Noël, of Toul, France, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Group Captain and Mrs C. S. Pattison, of Ruislip, Middle
C. S. Pattison, of Ruislip, Middle
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Mr A. F. Trotman and Miss M. R. Spencer

and Miss M. K. Spencer
The engagement is announced between Andrew, younger son of Mr C. G. Trotman and of the late Mrs Trotman, of Benington, Hertfordshire, and Mary, youngest daughter of the late Dr P. H. Spencer and of Mrs J. Spencer, of Oxford,

Mr M. Wyatt and Miss S. M. Peters The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs S. C. Wyatt, of White Lodge, Wergs Drive, The Wergs, Wolverbampton, and Shirley Margaret, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs E.

Peters, Birchfield, 90 Weeping Cross, Stafford. Dr J. R. C. Sainsbury and Mrs H. A. Spence The engagement is announced be-tween Richard Sainsbury and Har-riet Spence. The marriage will take place in Newcastle upon Tyne in February.

25 years ago From The Times of Tuesday, Jan 16, 1955

Amnesty offer

By Our Political Correspondent The new surrender terms which are to be offered to the Mau Mau gangsters are likely to be immunity from prosecution for any offence connected with the emergency, including murder, committed beMr R. W. Cheatle and Miss Z. J. Crawford The engagement is announced and

the marriage will take place shortly between Richard William, vounger son of the late Dr C. A. Cheatle and Mrs Cheatle, of Kensington, W8, and Zelda, fourth daughter of Mr R. N. Crawford, CBE, and Mrs Craw-ford, of Helens Bay, co Down Northern Ireland.

Mr T. D. Clifton
and Miss S. B. L. G. McGregor
The engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son of
the late David Clifton, of Brixeys
Farm, Sandford, near Ringwood,
Hampshire, and Mrs J. Dale, of
Torquay, and Sophie, elder daughter of Major and Mrs Ian McGregor, of Haywards Farmhouse,
Sutton Wick, near Abingdon,
Oxfordshire.

Mr R. C. Cross and Miss J. A. C. Walley . . The engagement is amnomiced between Richard, elder son of Mrand Mrs A. C. Cross, of Hopedene, Holmbury St Mars, and Juditi. younger daughter of Mrs Catherine Richards, of Richmond; of Esher.

and Mrs D. M. Hoare

The engagement is announced hetween John Dymoke White, of SS Blackheath Park, SE3, son of the late Mr W. Dymoke White, and Dinah Hoare, of 15 Eliot Place, Blackheath, SE3, eldest daughter of the late Mr Owen Murphy and the late Mrs James Parr.

Mr B. N. Grainger and Miss R. A. Rix The engagement is announced be-tween Neil, elder son of Mr and Mrs K. S. Grainger, of Lenham, Kent, and Rosemary, younger daughter of Mr R. Rix and the late Mrs D. E. Rix, of Warlingham, Surrey.

The engagement is announced be-tween Moreton, second son of Mr and Mrs C. Rupert Moore, of Rad-lett. Hertfordshire, and Linda. daughter of Flight Lieutenant E. G. Read, RAF (Retd) and Mrs Read, of Welling, Kent.

Mr D. M. Turabull and Miss C. A. Foxen

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Brigadier and Mrs E. M. Turnbull, of Longacre, Stoneyfields, Fanham, Surrey, and Carol, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs H. P. Foxon, of 48 Abingdon Court, Wa. Mr D. B. Collins and Miss J. R. Sasson

The engagement is announced between David Birchinall, only son of Vice-Admiral and Mrs sou of Vice-Admiral and Mrs D. A. Collins, of Canada and Brussels, and Jacqueline Ruth, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Sasson, of Carshalton Beeches, Surrey.

fore the date of the announcement. This offer may not have a time limit but it is unlikely to remain open indefinitely. The offer is not apparently to be completely untrammelied for the Kenya Government will reserve the right to detain any person who surrenders under these terms. The length of under these terms. The length of the detention would depend on examination of each case, but there seems to be no reason why it should not be for an indefinite period and, since there is to be no prosecution, it would be with-



Robert is a great communicator, a builder

Bishop honoured: The Bishop of St Albans, the Right Rev Robert Runcie, being presented with the freedom of St Albans yesterday by the mayor, Councillor Terry

The bishop, who is due to be enthroned as Archbishop of Canterbury in March. received the bonour at a ceremony in the City Hall attended by about 1,000 people.

The Mayor presented the bishop with a silver casket engraved with the city's coat of arms and the freedom scroll. He described him as a great man, a man of stature, learning and vision, who is also

Luncheon

Poreign and Commonwealth Office The Hou Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, was host at a luncheon at 1 Carlton Gardens yesterday in honour of Dr Bernhard Vogel, Minister-President of Rheinland-Pfaiz. Among the guests were: guests were :

Herr H. Schloyer, Herr J. Schromer Herr R. Noll, Herr J. Huppert, Dr A Bocker, Mr Lon Murray: Mr J. A Kershaw, Mp: Mr L. A. Pavitt, Mp Mr J. Gormloy: Mr G. W. Malknek-rodt: Mr M. Rutherford: Professor R. Dahrendorf and Professor R. Morgan.

Reception Prime Minister

The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher were hosts at a recep-tion held in honour of officers and members of the Parliamentary Lobby journalists at 10 Downing Street yesterday.

Dinners

Shipwrights' Company
Mr F. A. J. B. Everard, Prime
Warden of the Shipwrights' Company, prasided at a dianer held
vesterday at Ironmongers' Hall.
The other speakers were Mr Peter
Walker. MP, and Sir Charles
Trinder, Others present included in
Viscount Huseiman of Desfort. Minder. Others present included : Viscount Hunginan of Dosford. Admiral of the Piect Lord Mill-Norion, Admiral of the Piect Er Schward Ashmore, Judge Edward Clarke, QC, the Maskey of the Guild of Preeman of the City of London. The Society of Morrhand Yontreas and the Carmen's Commany Mr J. R. Steele, Mr M. B. Casey and Mr E. P. Shew. of bridges, a linkman always striving to bring people closer together. "His dialogue with the Eastern Orthodox

churches and his work in connexion with religious broadcasting are well known both nationally and internationally, but equally, or perhaps even more, important to us locally has been his tireless endeavour with other men and women of good will to promote understanding and cooperation berween church and city."

The bishop was greeted at the City Hall a man of the people".

by a trumpet fanfare, played by musicians
He added: "It has been rightly said that from St Albans School.

Memorial service

Lord Mayor
The Lord Mayor entertained at dinner at the Mansion House last night members of the Court of Common Council, the Chairman of the GLC, the Lord Mayor of the Greater London boroughs, aldermen, Sheriffs, high officers of the corporation and ward clerks of the City of London. The toast of the governing bodies of Greater London was proposed by the Lord Mayor and responded to by the Chairman of the GLC and the Lord Mayor of Westminster, and the toast of the Court of Common Council was proposed by the Lord Mayor and responded to by Mr Deputy Bernard L. Morgan, who also proposed the health of the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress.

Admiralty Board Sir James Brown
The Archbishop of Canterbury
gave an address at a memorial
service for Sir James Raitt Brown
held at All Hallows by the Tower
yesterday. The Rev Peter Delaner
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Bishop of London and Mr. K.
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Prideaux-Brune, Director of Toc H.
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were robed and in the sauctuary.
Among others present were:

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The Admiralty Board entertained
Admiral S. Thostrup, Chief of
Navai Staff, Danish Navy, and
Mrs Thostrup at dinner at
Admiralty House, Whitehall, last
night. The Parliamentary UnderSecretary of State for Defence for
the Royal Navy, Mr Keith Speed
presided, accompanied by Mrs
Speed, Other guests were:
The Danish Ambasshedr and Mrs
Carlistenson, Col Princes and Princess
Georg of Demark, Admiral Sir Benty
and Lady Loach, Admiral Sir Benty
and Lady Loach, Admiral Sir Dessonal
Cassidi, Vice-Admiral Sir John and
Lady Fisighouse, Admiral Sir Jahanny
Morian, Vice-Admiral Sir John and
Lady Fisighouse, Admiral Sir John and

Transport held a dinner at the Royal Corps of Transport head quarters mass, Aldershot, last night. The Director General of Transport and Movements, Major-General F. J. Plaskett, presided. The guests included:
The Director Wallington, General Sir Richard Worley, Liautenani, General M. Callan, Major-General M. Callan, Major-General J. V. Homan, Major-General R. Staveley, Air Vice-Marshall J. J. Millor and Colonis R. V. Ochenden. Exhibitions : Paintings by Graeme Sims, Seen Gallery, 39 Padding-Latest estates include (net, before Adcock, Mr Ernest Noel, Ludbam, Norfolk £180,426 Hoyes, Mr Thomas Henry, Leices-ter, managing director £180,649 Watson, Mr John, of Armathwaite, Convolution

London Mime Festival, Cockpit Theatre, Garaforth Street, St John's Wood.

Lunchtime music: Organ recital by Professor Gordon Phillips, All Hallows-by-the-Tower, 12.15 and 1.15; Organ recital, St Paul's Cathedral, 12.30; Stefan Paul Sanches, baritone, and Lois Phillips, piano, Fleet Room, 6 Bolt Court, Fleet Street, 1.10.

Today's engagements

ton Street, Marylebone, 10 to 6.30; Hoffpung's World of Music, Burgh House Trust, New Music. Burgh House Trust. New End Square. Hampstead, 12 to 5; Polisiuolo by Picasso, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester University, Whitworth Park Manchester, 10 to 5; Mario Merz, Italian artists showing works of sculpture, Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel, 11 to 6; David Bomberg: The Later Years, Fruit Market Gallery, 25 Market Street, Edinburgh, 10 to 5:30.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF

Justice of Appeal since 1975, died yesterday at the age of 71. died yesterday at the age of 71.

As a judge, Goff was quick, capable and learned. He generally sported the point of a case at a very early stage, sporting at the same time the weaknesses of the argument being presented to him which he would proceed to explore with a series of devastating questions. If at any stage of a case a point of practice or evidence arose for decision he would, instead of merely allowing or rejecting the application, deliver his reasons in a well constructed extempore judgment. While always taking a strict view of the rules he would never let a technicality get in the way of doing substantial justice between the parties if a proper application of the rules could permit it.

rules could permit it. He was invariably courteous: He was invariably courteous; his sense of humbur on the Bench never appeared very strong—he would sir sphinx-like through statements that other judges might have destroyed with a humorous shaft—but occasionally delivered himself of attractively with comments which offers livered himself of attractively Morwenna Curnow. They witty comments which often two daughters.

Lord Justice Goff, PC, a Lord went to the beart of the point ustice of Appeal since 1975, that was being made. Except ied yesterday at the age of 71. when probing the arguments of Counsel he was not much given to interruption and would let the evidence take its own

Reginald William Goff was born on March 22, 1907 the son of William Kingsley Goff. He was educated at Sutton County Grammar School and King's and University Colleges London, becoming a fellow of the former in 1970 and of the latter in 1968. He was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn (of which he became a Bencher in 1959 and Treasurer in 1974) in 1924 having obtained a Certifi-cate of Honour in the Bar Examinations. During The Second World Wat he served first in the Auxiliary Fire service and later in the RAF as Assistant later in the RAF as Assistant Judge Advocate General. At the bar he enjoyed a substantial practice as a leader, proving to be a formidable advocate. He was appointed Judge of the High Court of Justice, Chancery division in 1965, and became a Lord Justice of Appeal in 1975. He had been knighted in 1966. He married in 1944 Marjorie Morwenna Curnow. They had.

MR RAYMOND MORTIMER

Richard Stone writes: Your account of Mr Raymond Mortimer does not mention a very important dimension to his life, one for which he should surely be remembered. He loved the visual arts, he was a con-siderable collector and, between siderable collector and, between the wars, wrote widely on the subject. He wrote extensively on modern English and French painting in various journals—from Vogue to The Architectural Review. An Englishman writing enthusiastically in the 1920s of Braque and Leger, Le Corbusier or Groplus was a rare phenomenon. Although essentially a literary critic, Raymond Mortimer perhaps reached a mortimer perhaps reached a wider audience at that time in drawing attention to the achievements of contemporary art, than he did in contemporary literature. In 1929 he published (with Dorothy Todd) The New Interior Decoration, a book celebrating European and celebrating European and American architecture and

design which, as any student of the period knows, is an invaluable record of the subject. His own collection included works by Matisse and Picasso, Sickert, Sutherland and the Euston Road painters; he published A Letter on the French Pictures in 1932 (affectionately known as Raymond's French letter); and in 1944 the Penguin monograph on Duncan Grant, by whom he owned an excellent group of pictures and who decorated his London flat. He gave warm support to several young painters and was continually and infectiously on the qui vive for new talent. Support of this practical kind was all too rare between the wars and Raymond Mortimer occupies an assured place beside those other "amateur" benefactors who made such a difference to young painters' lives man such as Karnes

difference to young painters' lives—men such as Keynes, Hugh Walpole and Edward Marsh.

Walpole and Edward-

The first one-hour exclusive interview with the Shah by David Frost.

TONIGHT ON ITV AT 7.30.



Presented by Yorkshire Television. Yorkshire Television a member of the Trident Television Group.

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an orchestral conductor in a film-he chose the BBC. At Broadcasting House he soon made his mark, became one of the handful of named newsreaders who were nationally, and in Europe internationally, famous during the Second World War. (He was delighted to possess after the war the card from Goebbels's index, listing him as "a good singer and capable announcer.") He also worked on Programme Parade, made over 400 technical. and training records for the Forces, and did film com-When he retired in October wons pla

mentaries. 1964 there was a pleasant tribute to his individuality. Reading the BBC weather forccasts for ships during the night watches, he had been in the habit of ending them with the words "Goodnight, gettlemen, and good sailing." One of the parting gifts he received was a cheque for £143 spontaneously subscribed by merchant sea-

jobs—one by the BBC as an announcer, the other to act as.

Phillips was twice married. By his first wife, Phyllis. Leonie (formerly Godfrey) he had a daughter. After being divorced, he married in 1946 Barbara Ruth, younger daugh-ter of Sir Maurice Holmes, There were two sons of the King George V's Silver marriage. His second wife died Jubilee year, 1935, was not a in 1978.

commercial computer able to handle a wide variety of apolications. Their first order for a Univec I came from the University of the Computer o

States Bureau of the Census,

and it was installed in March,

Mauchly's basic interest was the application of computers, for

for ten years Dr Mauchly remained as Director of

Univac Applications Research. Leaving in 1959 he formed Mauchley Associates, a con-

sulting company that later introduced the Critical Path Method (CPM) for construc-

a computer consulting organiza-tion. In 1973 he became a

Mauchly received numerous

awards and honours. He was a life member of the Franklin Institute, the National Academy of Engineering and the Society for Advancement of Manage-

from the University of Pennsyl

Award, the Scott Medal, the Goode Medal of AFIPS (American Federation of Information Processing Societies), the Pennsylvania Award, the Emanual R. Pione Award, the Potts Medal of the Franklin

Institute and numerous other

vania and a DSc(Hon) degree from Ursinus College. He was a recipient of the Philadelphia

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DR JOHN MAUCHLY Univac I (Universal Automatic Computer). Univac I was the world's first general purpose

Dr John W. Mauchly, a co-inventor with Dr J. Presper Eckert of Eniac, the world's first all-electronic digital computer and a consultant to Sperry Univac, died on January 8. He was 72.

OBITUARY

tion, and at the same time without any affectation established
himself as a nationally known
character, died in London yesterday at the age of 78. His professional virtues pleased the
purists. His "asides", sometimes unintentionally broadcast, were relished by listeners
in general. A few he infuriated.
He went his way unperturbed.

He went his way unperturbed. Francis Hugh Phillips's career

was an unusual one. Born at Sidmouth in Devon on October

24, 1901, and educated at Bed-

ford School Preparatory and Christ's Hospital, which he left in 1917, he became an engin-

eering apprentice in the First World War, working on marine

turbines and aero engines. Being musical and having a good baritone voice, he entered the Blackpool Music Festival in

1923, and won the Rose Bowl.

He left engineering to be a professional singer, and broad-

cast from Savoy Hill—at ten shillings a performance—during

the first twelve months of the BBC's life. He sang at the Three

Choirs Festival, with the Royal Choral Society and the Hallé, and at the Proms. He toured South Africa and Canada, sang

on the Continent, and had a season in French opera at Covent Garden. In 1933-35 he

was guest artist with the Carl Rosa Opera Company and with

the Old Vic.

MR FRANK PHILLIPS

BBC announcer who

pleased the purists

Mr Frank Phillips, who in the course of nearly thirty world. Phillips, then in his midworld preading gave the BBC a reputation for meticulous pronunciation, and at the same time with annuancer, the other to act as an annuancer, the other to act as

Born in Cincinnati, Mauchly Born in Cincinneti, Mauchly grew up in Chevy Chase, Maryland, His father was a physicis: at the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institution in Washington, D2. He attended Johns Hopkins University, receiving a PhD in physics in 1932 at the age of 24. the application of computers, for which he developed the earliest high-level programming language. He was a founder and a president of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) and the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM). The Eckert-Mauchly Corporation was bought by Remington Rand in 1950, and for ten years Dr Mauchly

a PhD in physics in 1932 at me age of 24.

In the following year, Mauchly went to Ursinus College to head the Physics Department, During his eight years at Ursinus, he began a project on weather analysis which led him to the conviction that a high speed computer was that a high speed computer was necessary. Realizing that the speed problem could be solved by electronics, he began ex-perimenting with equipment he had purchased himself. tion scheduling by computer. In 1967 he founded Dynatrend.

had purchased himself.
In 1941 Dr Mauchly left
Ursinus to join the staff of the
Moore School of Electrical
Engineering at the University
of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, It was there he met J. Presper Eckert. From the pro-posal they submitted in 1942 describing an electronic compu-ter, came a contract from the United States Army Ordance Department to build it. The first all-electronic computer, Eniac. (Electronic Numerical ment. He was elected a Fellow of the IRE, a predecessor society of IEEE, in 1957, and was a Fellow of the American

Integrator and Computer), was completed in 1946. Mauchly and Eckert left the University of Pennsylvania in 1947 to form their own com-pany, the Eckert-Mauchly Computer Corporation, where they developed a second computer in 1949 called Binac (Binary Automatic Computer). Binac was the first computer to be programmed by internally

programmed by internally stored instructions. The development of Binac served as

a test of the plans Eckert and Mauchly had formulated for

Science report **Energy:** Conservation key

By Clive Cookson, of the Times Higher Education

American energy policy should give top priority to conservation, according to a four-year, \$4.1m (£1.86m) study conducted by the National Academy of Sciences for the United States Department of

Service dinner

Latest wills

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Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr David Lane, aged 51, to be
British High Commissioner. to
Trinidad and Tobago.
Mr Bryan Harris, aged 47, programme organizer at Radio Birmingham since 1970, to be manager
of BBC Radio Cleveland at
Middlesbrough.

Royal Corps of Transport Officers of the Royal Corps of Transport held a dinner at the

The academy's report. Energy in Transidon 1985-2010, released this week, is the first big government study to put such emphasis on restraining the growth in energy demand. It says that, "with sufficiently high energy prices" over the next few decades the United States could double the efficiency with which it uses energy without significant adverse effects on economic growth".

growth ".

The report, to which hundreds of economists and industrialists contributed, favours the construction of a "balanced mix" of coal and nuclear power stations for the rest of this century. It says too much reliance should not be placed on coal, however, partly because of the possible effects on climate of further increasing the concen-

of the possible effects on climate of further increasing the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, and partly because available supplies of coal will be needed to produce synthetic liquid fuels as the world's oil reserves are exhausted.

The amount of nuclear power required will depend on the rate at which electricity consumption increases. The academy says its projections of electricity growth are considerably below industry and government projections and in the highest conservation case actually level off or decline after 1990."

At the highest electricity growth rate considered in the study, how-ever, the academy believes it will ever, the academy believes it will be necessary to introduce fast breeder nuclear reactors. The report therefore recommends the Department of Energy to continue development work on the controversial liquid-metal fast breeder reactor, which President Carter has been trying to stop. "Any decision on deployment, however, should be deferred until the future courses

of electricity demand growth, fluid fuel supplies and other factors become clearer ", it says. The most serious risk associated

factors become clearer ", it says. The most serious risk associated with nuclear power, the academy says, is not the possibility of a catastrophic accident but nuclear weapons proliferation, however, as the report points out: "There is a wide difference of opinion about which represents the greater threat to peace; the dangers of proliferation associated with the replacement of fossil resources by nuclear energy, or the exacerbation of international competition for access to fossil fuels that could occur in the absence of an adequate world-wide nuclear power programme."

The study holds no great hope for alternative non-nuclear energy sources in the short to medium term. Solar energy technology, including such forms as wind, and wave power, "will probably not contribute much more than 5 per cent to energy supply in this century, unless there is massive government intervention in the market to penalize the use of non-renewable energy sources."

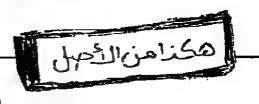
The danger of such intervention, it says, "lies in the possibility that it may lock us into obsolete and expensive technologies with high materials and resource requirements, whereas greater reliance on 'natural' market peactration would

ments, whereas greater reliance on 'natural' market penetration would

ments, whereas greater rehance on natural? market penetration would be less cosuy and more efficient over the long term."

Further exploitation of bydroelectric power or of so-called biomass farms—growing crops for their energy content—will be limited by ecological problems the academy says (though it holds out some long-term hope for the development of biomass farms under the sea). There is too little information to judge the prospects for large-scale geothermal power. Controlled thermonuclear fusion, which many people see as the most promising long-term solution to the world's energy difficulties cannot be counted on to make any contribution within the time frame of this study, the report concludes. But it recommends the continuation of a strong fusion research effort.

THETIME **BUSINESS NEWS**



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IN BRIEF

Dixons plans complete disposal of Westons

Dixons Photographic is on the verge of a complete withdrawal from the retail pharmaceunicals business just four years after it paid £10.5m for Westons, the United Kingdom's second-largest chain of chemists.

Sales of 141 Westons' shops are currently at various stages of negotiation and buyers will soon be sought for the remain. ing 20 outlets. At the same time Dixons is well into a rationalization programme for Westons wholesale division, designed to reduce the existing number of depots from 27 to

Mr Egon von Greyerz, Dixons finance director, said that the sales could produce a gross figure of something over £12m. Most of the shops are being sold to individuals although Sold to intribute according to Mr von Greyerz have been bought by Westons' former chateman, Mr Ralph Weston, who is now with Combined English Stores.

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Industry Bill progress The Industry Bill, which drasticelly reduces the powers of the National Enterprise Board and the Scottish and Welsh Development Agencies, has completed its committee stage in the Commons.

Polystyrene prices up Shell Chemicals UK and BP Chemicals say they will increase polystyrene prices from February. Shell said crystal grade polystyrene will be raised to 5670 from £625 per roome, BP's increases will be in the 8 to 10 per cent range, with variations in other European countries.

Shares disposal

Mr Neville Johnson, who resigned as chairman and chief executive of the furniture group Kitchen Queen on Wednesday, sold the major slice of his shares at 10½p, less than half the market price on that day. Financial News, page 20

Consumer spending up Consumer spending rose by 11 per cent between the third and fourth quarters of last year, after seasonal adjustment. First spending rose in most areas which had been depressed in which name of the chird quarter.
Table, page 18.

Esso puts on 4p

Esso has raised the price of its four star petrol from midnight by 3.5p a gallon which will mean an extra 4p to be paid by motorists at the pumps.

Thorn-Necchi venture Thorn Domestic Appliances is to form a new f5m company with Necchi of Italy to manufacture hermetically sealed compressors for refrigerators and freezers in County Durham.

£3m order for Decca The Ministry of Defence has placed a 53m order with Decca Navigator for the installation of doppler navigation systems in Sea Navy

Wall Street easier

Rises

On the New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones indus-triel average was down 1.62 to 863.57. Against the SDR, the dollar stood at 1.32065 and the pound at 0.583455.

Textile industry leaders' plea to keep short time aid

By John Huxley
Attempts were being made yesterday by textile footwear and clothing leaders to avert a Government decision to end its scheme of short time working assistance for the industries.

It is feared that an announce-

It is feared that an announcement that the scheme is to end will be made by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, within the next few days. MPs are likely to question Mr Prior over the future of the scheme today.

The scheme, which reimburses employers for wages paid to workers on short time, came into effect on April 1 last year. It has helped employers to protect more than 40,000 jobs, 15,000 of which are in the hard-pressed textiles industry. It is understood that the hard-pressed rexiles industry. It is understood that the total number of people to have benefited from the scheme

may be about 120,000.

Short time working assistance was introduced after the Labour Government was forced. reluctantly and under pressure from other members of the European Community, to end

European Community, to end its system of temporary employment subsidy (TES).

About 9,000 applications relating to 540.000 jobs have been made for TES, which was introduced primarily to mitigate the effect of adverse trading conditions in the textiles, clothing and footwear industries. It was wound up in March 1979 after protests from within the Community that TES while saving jobs, represented a subsidy to industry.

A decision to stop giving

A decision to stop giving short time assistance is believed to be favoured by the Department of Industry, which has in the past signalled its dislike of measures which prop up ailing industries. Leaders of industries to

benefit from short time assistance thick it less effective than TES as a means of pro-

British National Oil Corpora-tion at \$29.75 a barrel—a rise

of 14 per cent from the \$26.02 fixed on November 1 and more

ban double the level of a year

The rise, backdated to January 1, combines the twin aims of Government policy. It achieves a market rate for North Sea output and allows the United Kington.

United Kingdom to be seen, so far as possible, as a moderating

At a press conference yester-day Mr Alastair Morton, man-aging director of BNOC Oil Trading, said that in the cor-

poration's price discussions with 40 North Sea companies it had sought to balance the differ-

ent elements over price levels. Some companies, particularly

the smaller independent opera-tors, had been pushing for prices higher than \$29.75. They had wished to put the North Sea in line with the levels sought by North African pro-ducers of similar quality crudes.

Libra has fixed a base price

of \$30 but has added sur-charges which bring the asking price to nearer \$35, while Algeria has implemented a sur-

charge putting its price at \$33. Nigeria, however, has stuck to a single price of \$33.

Mr Morton said he was convinced that the \$30 price was

the right one. Companies which disagree can take their case to

an expert price fixer, whose decision is binding. Last year experts were called in, and compromise solutions over

Should market conditions change dramatically during the

period of the first quarter con-

tracts either companies buying or selling to or from BNOC have the right to reopen price

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prices were agreed.

influence on world prices.

N Sea oil

price set

By Nicholas Hirst

tecting jobs since payments to companies are made retrespec-

However, withdrawa! assistance could do considerable damage to the industries, which are suffering from a downturn in trade and the effects of cheap imports, high interest rates and adverse exchange rate movements.

Leaders in each of the three Leaders in each of the three sectors have written to Mr Prior urging him to portpone the ending of assistance for another year. Then, they say, a further review should be made. Mr Bob Lloyd-Jones, director general of the British Textiles Employers Association, said that the ending of the scheme would hit the rextiles industry severely.

"Any idea of abandoning the scheme new would make already difficult conditions for textile mills absolutely impos-sible in many cases." To do so would run the risk of losing a large part of the textile in-dustry, much of which was pro-ducing efficiently.

The withdrawal of assistance would particularly hit smaller companies in the textiles, footwar and clothing industries which do not have the resources to sustain a reverse in trading conditions. Workers may now have to be made redundant rather than retained on short time working as in the past.

EEC quotas.—New import quotas on garments from the Philippines, Hongkong and India have been introduced by the EEC Commission following representations from the United Kingdom government. The quotas are on bables' under and outer gurnents from the Philippines under garments from Hongkong and jackets and blezers from India.

By Nicholas Hirst

Energy Correspondent

North Sea oil prices have been set by the state-owned Belsich National Oil Correspondent

Set Sea oil prices have been set by the state-owned Belsich National Oil Correspondent Set £1,000m lopped off its EEC Paper which will include plans

budget contribution. It has be-

come clear that EEC heads of

state are unlikely to reach a decision on the Community

budget in time to include its effects in the White Paper.

This is expected to be published around March 18, about a week before the Budget which is to be on March 25. Spending

decisions have to be taken several weeks before the publication date of the White Paper.

It now seems that the Govern-ment will aim to chop about

ment will aim to chop about £1,000m, or perhaps a little more, off its spending plans for next financial year 1980-81.

The Prime Minister said recently on television that she would like to get £2,000m off the spending bill for next year. However it was hoped that about £1,000m of that would recently the spending bill for next year.

come from wiping out Britain's

Ministers still hope to get this contribution slashed, but

this will probably come as an added bonus for the Budget, rather than be included in the official spending plans.

The Government's decision to

reopen its already published plans for spending next year have led it into some riming difficulties. It is now likely that

the new plans for 1980-81 will first be announced next month,

EEC contribution.

EEC decision too late

for White Paper

Rhodesian windfall for Turner and Newall

By Rosemary Unsworth Turner and Newall the Man-chester-based asbestos and motor components group, has discovered that its Rhodesian subsidiaries made profits of 199m during the 14 years of

After a recent fact-finding mission by the group's financial team, T & N found that the team, 1 & N found that the compunies, which operate three asbestos mines and manufacture construction and industrial materials, had boosted net assets from £6.3m in 1965 when the last accounts were consolidated, to £92m based on aggregate figures for the subsequent years to December 12, 1979.

The mining section contri-

The mining section contri-buted £85m during this period while the manufacturing side made £14m. In addition, the mining company management invested in three small gold mining joint ventures which, T & N predicts, will provide £333,000 profits in 1980 on top of the £12m forecast for the other Rhodesian operations.

However, Mr Stephen Gibbs, the group's chairman, gave a warning that the forecast had been made on the assumption that all instillities would cease and that there would be no major interruptions

He stressed that the fore-cast would only hold if profit margins were not undermined by "
other excessive inflation or other unforceen circumstances". The projections include a £6.6m depreciation charge and capital expenditure in 1980 is estimated at £20m on top of another £16.6m which has already been committed.

has already been committed.

Mr Gibbs said the group was unable to announce any dividend policy from the Rhodesian companies until after the March election. In any case accumulated dividends would not be paid. The local management has used the cash flow in ment has used the cash flow in the 14 years of UDI for rein-vestment to improve mine working conditions, increase productivity and to acquire a number of local companies Financial Editor, page 19

possibly in a series of depart-

for later years up to 1983-84.

announcements is that spending

bodies have to know how much

money they must cut off their

One possibility is that the

The early Budget will round off the rush of economic policy making. Although it is likely to be a hard Budget in the sense that the Government will not

in February.

soon as possible.

Gold fever: queues formed early outside the offices of bullion dealers Johnson Matthey and Jay and Banford in Hatton Garden, London, as people took advantage of the record price of gold to sell family heirlooms and jewelry.

Gold tops \$800 level in New York

Gold pushed through the dealing was hectic as the price \$800 an ounce level last night soared to record levels.

in New York on the back of strong institutional buying.

In London it closed at a new high of \$760 an ounce, Dealers are considered that the observations are considered to the strong institutional buying.

Dealers on both sides of the Arlantic report that the bullion markets seem to have taken off into another world as feverish buying grips investors in Lon-don and in New York.

The metal swung back into favour after the price fell on the overnight Hongkong market and dropped \$25 on the London morning fix. But by the afternoon buyers were back and

In London it closed at a new high of \$760 an ounce. Dealers were astonished that the price had rebounded so quickly after its early fall of more than \$25 an ounce. But within hours the price in New York had raced ahead to break the \$800 level.

Our Washington correspondent reports that much of last night's activity was due to a hacklog of orders, especially from private investors, which has built up over the last two or three days. These orders, he

says, could not be satisfied and the price surge simply reflects the satisfying of these orders. At one point gold prices reached as high as \$820 before falling back to an average of \$802 an ounce at the New York

Here at home uncertainty over the health of President Tito is now an additional factor in the gold market. It joins Iran and Afghanistan in the list of reusons that investors are more than any gold. And no one is ing into gold. And no one is willing to say what or when the gold price will stabilize.

Slow down in money growth

By John Whitmore Financial Correspondent

The money supply grew by 0.4 per cent in the December banking mouth, confirming earlier indications that the rate of monetary expansion now appears to be slowing down.
Even so, the monetary authorities and financial markets are treating the figures with considerable caution and

will want to see several further sets of figures before they will feel that an improved trend has definitely been established. Certainly, the Government is unlikely to countenance any cut in short term interest rates until it considers that there is no risk that it might have to reverse such a decision later in the spring.
News of the December figures

News of the December figures made little impact on the gilt edged market, the likely outcome for the December banking month already having been indicated closely by the Bank at the time of the eligible liability figures last Tuesday. The market was more preoccupied yesterday with consolidating its recent gains absorbing profit. recent gains, absorbing profit-taking by domestic and overseas investors. The marker's main short term preoccupations now in the seven months to January are whether or not the Bank will have edged just inside the

MONEY SUPPLY 1979-1980 Sterling M3 TARGET 8-12% AMIJASONOJEMA

will announce a new gilt issue this afternoon and the course of events in the steel strike. On the face of it, a rise of only 0.4 per cent in sterling M3, the broad-based measure of money, is encouraging. It lowers the annualized rate of growth in the first six months of the present target period to 114 per cent, leaving a reasonable possibility that, after the recent spate of gilt edged sales, the annualized rate of growth in the seven months to January

top end of the Government's 7-11 per cent target.

Banking December is always treated with caution, however, since it is only a three week period—this year the three weeks to December 12. Furthermers the Bank of England aug.

more, the Bank of England suggests that the apparent slowdown in the rate of growth of bank lending to the private sector—£212m last month against a recent monthly aver-age of some £700m—may have been misleading partly because of the lower level of PAYE pay-ments that had to be financed. Bank lending to the private sector was, however, the main contributor to domestic credit expansion last month. The public contributor and private sector was provided by the provided by the public contribution was provided by the public contribution with the public contribution was public to the private was public to the private

expansion last month. The public sector contribution was under £70m, a very large Central Government borrowing requirement of £1,470m (seasonally adjusted) being offset largely by public sector debt sales. Net glit sales to the non-bank private sector totalled £1,134m. Overall, DCE amounted to

Coverall, DCE amounted to f253m, much the smallest monthly figure in the present financial year. On the other hand, external and foreign curfactor (£196m).

Deposits fall at London's US banks

Bank of England figures to \$169,573m from \$167,160m. Show that oversons Euro-currency deposits at American banks in London dropped by nearly \$2,800m after the United states decision in November to States decision in N programmes as soon as possible. The Government is anxious to avoid leaks of their plans, which will be more likely if they have to tell local authorities, for example, to regist their plans for part was

States decision in November to freeze Iranian state assets.
Foreign currency deposits An official at one American banks in London fell to \$67,551m States freeze and action by from \$70,414m in the three-week period. Taking all other categories of London Banks loan probably unnerved many together, overseas deposits rose revise their plans for next year.
Hence the Government would rather publish next year's cuts Cabinet has decided to chop housing spending through the loans sanctions for local authority building and through urging councils to push up rents. They will need to instruct the local authorities as

There may have been some awitching of deposits at American banks in London to London banks of other nationalities as

well as withdrawals from United States banks.

An official at one American bank said that the United States freeze and action by Chase Manhattan Bank to bring from the other transfer of the second section by the second second

Bank of England statistics also showed that, expansion of the London dollar certificate of deposit (CD) market slowed in the three weeks ended December 12.

While the amount outstanding ended higher to another retord of \$43,412m the gain in the three-week period came to only \$146m. In the previous five-week

period, the amount outstanding

No prospect of lower mortgages this year By Margaret Stone

Building societies should beable to meet future demand for: mortgages from traditional sources, provided the interest rates to both investors and borrowers are competitive, This is the key verdict

reached by the working party set up last August by the Building Societies Association, under its previous chairman, Mr-Ralph Stow, to examine mort? gage finance in the 1980s.

However, this solution to the problem of the mortgage queue, which triggered off the inquire means that existing borrowers. are unlikely to see any fall in their mortgage repayments this year—even if interest rates in general fall. The Stow report said that

even in these circumstances:
"societies should hold their interest rates until such time as mortgage demand is being, reasonably met." It added: "If the general level of interestrates does not fall, or it risesfurther, then a further increase in building society rares will-need to be considered."

Mr. Leonard Williams, need.

Mr Leonard Williams, present chairman of the Building, Societies Association, said that some sort of equilibrium had to be struck between investors, borrowers and pross. pective borrowers.

The speed with which societies can move to a competitive interest rate structure depended very much on that general level of interest rates, he said.

Mr Williams acknowledged that with the recent large increases in MLR. "societies cannot move immediately to a fully competitive position as" this would pose an undue burden on existing borrowers".

The working party examines The working party examined various proposals that the socie-

ties should raise money from the wholesale money markets as well as the private sector. However, it concluded that these corrowings would affect their traditional savings market and that in general the capital's markers provide "no genuing alternative source of long-term; funds for the industry as a whole. The report does, however,

suggest various ways of improving the flow of funds. In proving the flow of funds. In addition to improving the range, and conditions of term shares, marketable term shares and a building society certificate of deposits should be considered. The assumptions upon which

the working parry has based its crease in net receipts will be necessary in 1980. The estimates are that a monthly ner inflow of £510m will be needed this year, rising to £680m net a month by 1985.

There is also the new factor of council house sales. The Government has indicated that it would like some of these to be financed out of building society mortgage finance. If societies are asked to finance 85,000 council house sales a year, they will have to provide another £50m per a month. Keeping the door open, page 19:

Lonrho bid may hinge on Rhodesia election result

By Philip Robinson

The Rhodesian elections could determine whether Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland's trading giant Lonrho ever takes full control of Harrods, part of the House of Fraser stores group.

give large, if any, net bandouts, it is increasingly likely that income tax cuts will be included in the Budget. Shares of Fraser, sensitive for months awaiting the widely-expected bid from Lourho for The Chancellor last night the 70 per cent it does not already own, were the most active traded stores stock yesterday and jumped 10p to 135p. desire to reduce its net contri-bution to the EEC in a speech to the French Chamber of Com-

month.

City sources say that Lonrho will bid if Mr Joshua Nkomo is victorious in Rhodesia. Mr Nkomg's pro-western sympathy could benefit Lourbo, which has important interests in Rhodesia, and enable it more easily to

But it is understood that any already been offered 300p a

more by Mr Rowland will not share for his stake in the House be made until after Lonrho's of Fraser from two separate yearly results and the Rhodessources but has turned down ian elections, both due next both.

both.

Last night Mr Rowland, through fellow director Mr Paul Spicer, said: "I refuse to comment on speculation."

Mr Rowland and Sir Rugh were among guests at a private dinner party on Wednesday

land and two other friends on Wednesday night, but it was not a business meeting. No business was discussed. Mr Rowland has never made me an offer for my stake and nor has anyone else." If the Rhodesian elections do If the Rhodesian elections do not favour Mr Nkomo then Mr Rowland might well choose to sell the 29.9 per cent stake he controls in House of Fraser.

At yesterday's price that could give him around £45m and runmour is that he will have the could give him around £45m and runmour is that he will have the could give him around £45m and runmour is that he will have the could give him around £45m and runmour is that he will be the could give him around £45m and runmour is that he will be the could give him around £45m and fragments £5m around £45m and fragments £5m around important interests in Rhodesia, might.

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Burney's Debenhams group.

Controversial chairman of US corporation departs a year early

Mystery surrounds ITT's change at the top

of the most dynamic and con-troversial American businessmen of the last two decades, resign as chairman of Inter-national Telephone and Telegraph Corporation of his own accord, or was be pushed? And just how much money did Mr Geneen obtain from the board in return for the contract that assured him the chairman-

Did Mr Harold Geneen, one

ship to the end of this year? More often than not there is an element of mystery about the activities of Mr Geneen and ITT and his departure from the top post is no exception.
ITI's board formally firmed this week that Mr Rand Araskog, aged 48, has taken over as chairman. Mr Geneen

been given the title of chairman The announcement marks the end of an era at the eleventh largest industrial corporation in the United States.

will remain a director and has

When Mr Geneen became president of ITT on leaving the Raytheon Company 20 years ago he joined a modest enterprise. He leaves a giant.

Hotels, Avis Car Rental, Hart-ford Insurance and others that frequently proved concreversial. At the same time Mr Geneen built up a global empire that some observers believe has acted as if it were a political power in its own right. From Sanciago to Washington IIT and its chairman have been at the centre of dramatic political

Mr Araskog: as tough an indi-vidual as his predecessor?

due to acquisitions: Sheraton

Sales rose from \$765m in 1959 to \$19,400m in 1978, while earnings rose from \$29m to leave III for some time. At the \$662m. The growth was largely



ITT as chairman emeritus.

Lyman Hamilton as chief executive but last summer it seemed the chairman was unhappy with his chosen successor's performance and Mr Hamilton departed suddenly from the ITT skyscraper.

Mr Araskog, who joined ITT in 1966 from Honeywell after a stint at the Department of Defence, took over from Mr Hamilton last summer, Some FIT executives suggest the new chief is just as much a tough individualist as Mr Geneen, Some press reports said that the board wanted Mr Geneen

to resign earlier but others suggested that he decided to leave now to devote more time to other ventures. Geneen apparently decided some time ago to lead a group of individuals in a venture capital enterprise while still heading ITI. In November this private group bought Allied Chemical Corporation's coke plant in Kentucky for an estimated \$100m. A report in

the Wall Street Journal last month noted that ITT itself had considered buying this plant. It is against this background that speculation has developed that directors of ITT politely claiming that his private businesses were in conflict,

Mr Geneen earned a total of \$1.27m in 1978 in salary, benefies and bonuses from ITT and his contract assured him an assortment of benefits plus at least \$850,000 in cash this year. American press reports that the board bought his contract for \$5m have not been substantiated. Nobody at IIT is talking about how much their

former chairman was given to

Frank Vogl in Washington

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Transvaal Gold Mining Companies

ADMINISTERED BY ANGLO AMERICAN CORPORATION FINAL DIVIDENDS-FINANCIAL YEARS - ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1979

On January 17, 1980, dividends were declared in South African currency, payable to members registered in the books of the undermentioned companies in the close of business on February 1, 1980, and to persons presenting the relevant coupons detached from share warrants to bearer. A notice regarding payment of dividends on coupon No. 79 detached from share warrants to bearer issued by The South African Land & Exploration Company Limited will be published in the press by the London Secretaries of that company on or about January 25, 1980.

The transfer registers and registers of members will be closed in each case from February 2 to 15, 1980, both days inclusive, and warrants will be posted from the Johannesburg and United Kingdom offices of the transfer secretaries on or about March 6, 1890, Registered members peid from the United Kingdom will receive the United Kingdom currency equivalent on February 25, 1880, of the transfer leaves in Johannesburg or in the United Kingdom on or belong that the request is received at the offices of the transfer secretaries in Johannesburg or in the United Kingdom on or belore February 1, 1990.

The effective rate of non-resident shareholders' tex for the under-ntioned companies is 15 per cent.

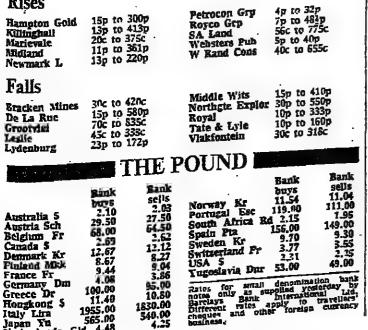
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PRICE CHANGES

Petrocon Gry

Mitsubishi. Nissan look to US and Italy

Mr Yoshitoshi Sone, president of Mitsubishi Motor Corporation said in Tokyo that he is to visit the United States next month for talks with Chrysler Corporation on closer links, including a joint develop-ment of small trucks which Chrysler wants to market in the United States from 1983. Chrysler at present has a 15

per cent stake in Mitsubishi. per cent stake in Mitsubishi.

He said the proposed establishment of a new sales network for Mitsubishi cars in the United States market will be taken up at the coming talks.

Nissan Motor Company also says It is discussing a possible linkup with the Italian Alfa Romeo concern. Sources said negotiations between the two companies were believed to in-volve the joint development of economy engines for small cars.

Montedison plan

Montedison SPA has reached a rough agreement with the state energy group Eate Nazionale Idrocarburi and the Italian government on how to restructure its loss-making syn-thetic fibres operations, industry sources in Milan say. The plan is being submitted to Montedison's creditor banks, which will have to put up at least half the fresh capital

Greek bank workers have begun a 10-day strike that is

Greek banks strike

expected to bring the nation's economy to a near-standstill. The action is in support of 30 per cent pay increases and a return to former working hours. The government has limited wage increases to 11 per cent in an effort to hold down inflation.

Bonn steel pay offer

Metal employers in Suedwuerttemberg - Hohenzollern have offered a pay rise of 4.3 per cent to 130,000 workers in the region's metal industry. An identical offer his been made in North Rhine Westphalia, The metal workers union, IG Metali wants an increase of 10 per Negotiations are con-

EEC oil price surge The European Community

imported oil shot up sharply in the three weeks ending January 7 as a result of the increases decided in December by the oil cartel, the Commission's latest oil bulletin issued in Brussels shows. The total increase shown is 109 per cent, up from 92 per cent three weeks earlier.

\$243m pipe deal

Four Japanese steel com-panies have reached agreement to export to Saudi Arabia about 260,000 tonnes of steel pipes worth nearly \$243m (about £107m), industry sources in Tokyo say. The companies are Nippon Steel, Sumitomo Metal Industries, Nippon Kokan and Kawasaki Steel.

Electrical equipment makers face hold-up over approval certificates

Inquiry into safety test delays

Serious delays in issuing safety, certificates by the British Approvals. Service for Electrical Equipment in Flammable Atmospheres (BASEEFA) are to be investigated. The Government has set up a study group of industrialists to look into the delays in the issuing of safety approval certificates for equipment made by British companies. Some companies who applied for certificates three or more years ago still have not received

Until companies get certificates it means their goods cannot be offered for sale either in this country or abroad. The effects on the export trade in particular, a sector in which British companies have a high reputation, will be an important part of the investigation.

During the past year companies have been turning to official testing organization in other EEC countries to get clearance certificates, but there are difficulties in doing this and many feel that the value of a British certificate is greater. Wr Patrick Mayhew, Under-Secretary of State for Employment, who has set up the study group under the chairmanship of Mr Denys Johnson, a director of Tube

Investments, has given an indication of the scale of the delays at BASEEFA. The organization has its headquarters at Bux-

organization has its headquarters at Buxton, Derbyshire, is staffed by civil servants and administered by the Government's Health and Safety Executive.

Last October the number of applications awairing approval at BASEEFA numbered 760. Only 30 per cent of the applications received during 1979 up to October had been cleared by then, and there were 46 per cent of the 1978 applications and 23 per cent of the 1977 applications still outstanding from the previous year.

The study group has already been told

standing from the previous year.

The study group has already been told of one application still outstanding from 1973—the year after BASEEFA was established, but some applications are dealt with within six months.

Although there is no question in the industry about the high standing of BASEEFA's work there have been difficulties that allows allows from its incention.

es about delays almost from its inception. One of the issues the study group will consider is whether staff should be increased, although the situation is regarded as being so serious that temporary arrangements with other testing facilities n this country are likely to be considered. Equipment tested by BASEEFA covers

a wide range of items, from flame-proof a wide faine of teless, to the transporter motors, switches and starters to underwater flameproof television cameras. Much of the equipment is used in petrochemical installations, including oil rigs, and in

Because some of the equipment is heavy it makes it difficult for companies to bypass BASEEFA and send products for testing on the Continent, Hundreds of companies are involved, from giants like the General Electric Company to many smaller

Mr Johnson, a former president of the British Electrical and Allied Manufacturers' Association (BEAMA) which has campaigned for Government action on the delays, said that more companies appeared to have applied to EEC countries for certificates. Last year BASEEFA received only 419 applications—within its capacity of around 500 a year—but true demand had been estimated at about 900.

"The delays are a serious constriction on business. It could easily lead to a de-motivation of research work," Mr Johnson

Derek Harris

£1,477m spending plan by UK brewers

Britain's brewers are to invest £1,477m in the next three years, more than £880m of it in the retailing sector of the industry where it will be used to develop and improve

This was announced yester-day by Mr Derrick Holden-Brown, chairman of the Brewers' Society, who said the investment was being undertaken despite forecasts that the beer market would show marginally slower growth in the eighties compared with the past two decades. A growth of Z per cent a year is expected. making a market of marginally over 50 million bulk barrels. This year the brewers have revised their earlier forecasts down to 43.6 million bulk barrels. This takes account of the worsoning economic condi-

resistance over the recent round of price increases. But they are making the assumption that the summer will be better than

the past two years.

This year brewery investment will be around £500m, balf going into the retail trade and the rest into brewery plant and distribution. The 40 per cent balance of the three-year investment when the part of the part of the three-year investment of the part of the past of the three-year investment of the past o ment plan will also go into increasing brewery capacity and distribution (reprovements.

Much brewery investment has gone to increasing lager capacity which, if this growth market slowed, could still be used to brew sles or other

Lager, accounts for about 30 per cent of the market but some observers have been fore-casting a slowdown. The takehome market in lager could be near saturation point, it has been suggested. But Mr Holden-Brown said

Mr Derrick Hoiden-Brown: Lager most important growth product.

lager continued to be the most important growth product, with segmentation into several lager types now happening. Premium grades were taking nore of the market and sales of the lighter lagers were also growing in

Watney forced to close beer bottling plant

Row, East London, plant of Watney Mann, part of Grand Metropolitan, is to stop in April with the loss of 300 jobs. Serious corrosion has been found in part of the metal skeleton of the 50-year-old building and repairs have been found to be impracticable.

Raven Row is an important

635 dockers

Merseyside

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tions and expected customer

Bottling of beer at the Raven bottling centre for Watney, and Watney said yesterday. ReRow, East London, plant of the company's other plants will development plans for the site
be able to cope with only part are now being considered, but
of the shortfull in capacity, it is unlikely that a new bottling
Until alternative capacity is plant would be built there.
The 300 workers involved in created, 10 per cent of Watney bottling will be contracted out to other brewers.

the closure, including some senior managers are likely to warenousing and distribution face redundancy, although is to continue at Raven Row and efforts to find other jobs there is no physical danger to within the company are being workers in the bottling hall,

'Difficult period' for **Anglo-Soviet trade**

By R. W. Shakespeare Another 635 Liverpool dockers will lose their jobs this year under a new voluntary sever-ance plan which seems certain Docks Labour

Board next week.

The scheme, which is supported by Mr Jimmy Symes, docks district secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union, will cut the waterfront lebous force on Mersewide to labour force on Merseyside to 4,800. At their peak the docks employed more than 15,000

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Pre-tax profits £26.2m £24.6m

Dividends paid

and proposed

Last year 750 dockers left the port voluntarily with redun-dancy payments of up to £8,500 for a man with 20 years service. The docks still have an average daily surplus of about 1,000 men. Anglo-Russian trading rela-

tionships are entering a "very mism about economic growth difficult "period because of the apparent in most countries and there was a danger this would exacerbate present difficulties. events in Afghanistan, Mr John Smith, Opposition spokesman on trade, said in London yesterday at a meeting of the British-Soviet Chamber of Commerce. Although the response of

Western governments to Russia's intervention in Afghanistan was still being considered, the conclusion that there would be an adverse impact, particularly on Angio-Soviet trade, had to be drawn, he said. At pre-vious times of political diffi-culty—such as the early 1970s—this trade had deteriorated

"It is important that the remain committed to political détente between East and West can divert military

expenditure into economic ex-

Ways of improving trade needed to be considered. A closer examination into ways of improving the techniques of trading should be made to deal with factors like currency, compensation trading and coopera-tion agreements. Russia ought to consider directing Western investment into the Soviet Union, Mr Smith said.

Doubt over MG bid from Aston

By Edward Townsend The possibility of a cash offer being made by a consortium of companies led by Aston Martin Lagonda for BL's MG sports car operations, became uncertain yesterday when the potential

offer to be made, but this passed without any communication being received from the

In a statement yesterday Aston Martin said that its chief

BL has delayed implementation of its plans for the MG factory at Abingdon in Oxfordshire because of a probable offer from the consortium. Four deadlines have been set by BL and executives were by surprise yesterday when the consortium indicated that a further meeting was

production at the end of this vear and use the Abingdon factory as an export packing and special vehicle plant. The export packing operation will be transferred from the Cowley plant at Oxford where assembly of the new medium range car, to be built in collaboration with Handa of Japan, will take place. It is believed that the offer

BL dealers in the United States have been vociferous in demanding that the MG line be them that production will be maintained until the end of the year with most of the ourout earmarked for the American market. After 1980, the cars reill no longer comply with new Federal emission regulations and will be withdrawn. BL is also facing pressure from both sides of the House

MONEY SUPPLY

released for the monthly amount of money stock seasonally adjusted at the mid-month dates:

	M1 2000m	Sterling M3 2000m	month ennusi M1	
1979				
May	26.8	52.1	13.9	8.1
June	26.6	52.7	9.7	17.2
July	27.2	53.1	7.1	14.3
Aug	27.2	53.6	6.1	12.4
Seat	27.3	53.9	11.5	9.9
DCt	28.2	55.0	15.7	15.1
Nov	27.6	55.3	6.5	13.1
Dec	27.6	55.5	4.6	12.1

STERLING M3 AND DOMESTIC CREDIT

	Domestic credit expansion	External firance	Non- deposit National	Sierting M3
May	997	132	- 136	+ 729
June	885	6	- 278	+ 601
July	436	13	+ 1	~ 427
Aug	1.057	369	- 149	- 549
Sept	+925	- 522	- 70	+ 333
Oci	+1.550	- 384	- 92	- 1,074
Nov	+1.257	- 882	- 23	- 352
Dec	+253	- 195	- 237	+ 212

mated figures for consumer expenditure seasonally adjusted at constant 1975 prices, released by the Central Statistical Office

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1978 1st qtr	16,432	÷15.8
2nd gtr	16,522	+2.2
3rd gtr	16,879	+8.9
4th atr	16.895	+0.4
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2nd atr	17,791	+ 17.8
3rd atr	17.059	15.5
4th qtr p	17,350	+7.0
p provisional.		

Martin

purchasers said some matters were still to be settled.

BL had imposed a deadline f Wednesday night for an consortium.

executive was in touch with BL and, should the outstanding issues be settled, the consortium would put in a bid early next week. There would be no further while development with the consortium was a subject to the consortium. ther public developments until

needed.

BL plans to end MG car

It is believed that the offer from the consortium will be for the factory and use of the MG name, although BL has already made clear it will not sell the marque. It has also said that any offers for MG must be particularly attractive to comparticularly attractive to com-pensate for the future pensate for the future programme already formulated

retained. The company has told

of Commons not to phase out the MG.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wrong thinking on pension plans

Sir, Raymond Nottage's one-man campaign against funded pension schemes has taken a new turn with his article on new turn with his article on contracting our in your issue of January 14. His approach is so illogical and one-sided that it is hard to imagine it will be taken seriously by anyone, but perhaps we ought to set the record straight on a couple of

Before doing so, let me make it clear that the National Association of Pension Funds has never taken sides on the question of contracting out. During the consultative period prior to the relevant legislation, our objective was to secure terms which were fair to all concerned, whether contracted out or not. The fact that the majority of pension funds in membership, though by no means all, chose to contract out owed more, I suspect, to indus-trial relations than to purely financial considerations.

The essence of the contracting out bargain is that the pension fund relieves the state of a future liability in exchange for a reduction in current contributions. It does not need a mass of figures, merely a modicum of common sense, to appreciate that any consequent increase in state contribution rates today must be offset by lower rates in future years.

By placing the so-called National Insurance Fund on a sounder financial footing, we are paving the way for the payment of more adequate pensions in future from state and sions in future, from state and occupational schemes combined. Mr Nottage can sustain his

From the Chairman, the National Association of Pension of the "pay as you go" philosophy—but he really cannot be sophy—but he really cannot be allowed to get away with his man campaign against funded to get away with his ludicrous claim that contracting costs is determined by the curout is a bad bargain for every-one. It would be less absurd to claim it as a good bargain for everyone. Each employer, after all, in consultation with his em-ployees (a point Mr Nottage chooses to overlook), has decided freely whether to contract out or not, in the light of the particular circumstances surrounding that employment. Why should we assume that they have all made the wrong

decision? It is typical of the lop-sided Nottage logic that he ends by proposing the formation of an Association of Contracted In Employers and, although he thouse they would be a second to the second the second that they are they would be second to the second the second they are they would be second to the second they are they would be second to the second they are they would be second to the second they are they would be second to the second they are the are they ar knows they would represent only a minority of those em-ployed in the private sector, goes on to claim that " such an association would speak for most of the nation's wealth pro-

ducing companies and their employees". In defending the right of employers and employees to choose for themselves whether to contract out or not. I am quite sure that neither school of thought has a monopoly of wisdom or of wealth creation. Yours truly, MICHAEL PILCH.

National Association of Pension Prudential House. Wellesley Road, Croydon CR9 9XY.

From Mr W. A. Sibly Sir, Mr Nottage's article (January 14) is faliacious, apparently because he has failed argument only by taking a to appreciate that the total short-term view and ignoring current cost of the National

rent liabilities, even the total out option would in no way reduce public expenditure on benefits or the amount of National Insurance contribu-tions required to support that expenditure.

The contracting-out option becomes relevant only when considering the way in which the total cost is divided between different employers and employees—ie, the National Insurance contribution rates. As a result of the numbers contracted-out, there is a higher general contribution rate, which is then reduced for those who are contracted-out. Thus the latter pay a proportionately smaller share of the unchanged total of contributions. This is in return for their undertaking to relieve the National Insur-ance scheme of a steadily in-creasing proportion of its future liabilities.

Their contribution reduction directly related to the liabilities which they undertake. It is calculated by the Government Actuary on a basis which most expert opinion considers equitable and which Mr Nottage appears to accept in nis second paragraph favourable terms ". Yours faithfuly,

W. A. SIBLY, Assistant General Manager (Pensions),
Legal & General Assurance
Society Limited, Temple Court.

London EC4N 4TP.

Lessons from World Bank BL as part fear to tread. Yet 94 per cent

From Mr William Clark Sir, The article by Frank Vogl in regard to the publication of the World Bank's Operations Evaluation Report (Business News, December 3) deserves a response because it misrepresents the purpose of this very valuable and controversial effort. It is valuable, I believe, because it is a serious effort to learn from our failures. It is controversial because it puts before the public the lessons learnt so as to teach others to avoid our mistakes.

Development is a risky and pioneering field, and the World Bank's effort is almost entirely in areas where the angels of the commercial investing world

of our projects achieve their stated objectives. But 6 per cent do not; we want to know why, so that we can avoid further mistakes. And we dare to tell this publicly

(who else does?) so that our partners in the development effort can benefit. If 94 per cent success is inefficient failure then we have achieved Newspeak four years ahead of schedule. schedule. Your obedient servant, WILLIAM CLARK, Vice President,

The World Bank, Washington, D.C. 20433,

An audience interest in engineering our future

Sir, Although I cannot verify the accuracy of the information that only 5,000 copies were originally printed of the report of the Finniston committee of inquiry, there is no doubt at all What is really needed is not a about the interest of the public powerful voice but an attentive

All of the initial delivery to HMSO in Holborn, London, were sold within the first hour and although there was a further delivery that afternoon there were none left by noon the following day.

Although the summary Engineering our Future was available, it is the fuller account. summar√ with a more detailed study of the review of the evidence on which the recommendations have been made, that is sought by those who seek to judge the merits of the statements that are being made by the various pressure groups now moving in to turn specific recommendstions (sometimes seemingly out of context) to their sectoral

advantage. Are more highly academically trained engineers alone going to solve the problems and just why is it thought that licensing of engineers is going to have an effect on the quality of our designs over the full range of products in which our manufacturers must compete in both home and overseas markets? To what extent must we also pay regard to the craft, skilled and technician workers who are needed to support these "best people" who are to be encouraged into industry?

All too often we are begin- 135 Hall Lanning to hear the pleas of those January 10.

who feel that what is needed is a more powerful voice for the engineering professions. This, I suggest, is the herald of the bureaucratic approach that has failed us so often in the past. dience and from the evidence of the queue in HMSO in Holborn I feel sure that it exists.

Yours faithfully, K. A. YEOMANS, 306 Unbridge Road, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire, WD3 2YL,

From Mr D. Reeves

Sir, Many government ministers have for some time made state-ments that the status of the professional engineer should be improved if Britain is to get it-self out of its present difficulties. The Prince of Wales also made a similar statement recently on television.

Rowever, when the Gavernment had its opportunity to improve the situation for its professional engineers in the Civil Service, it did nothing, and the recent pay awards have given the engineer at principal level £729 per annum less than his counterpart in the admini-Once again the arts graduate

in Britain is thought to be more important than an engineering graduate. Yours faithfully,

135 Hall Lane, E4.

European group From Mr I. N. Galan Sir, One of the leading German

newspapers, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung reported on December 27 last that according to projections of various motor car manufacturers the next 10 years will be characterized by many concentrations in the car industry. This is based on the expectation that by 1990 no manufacturing com-pany will be able to survive which does not produce at least two million passenger

It is therefore expected that companies like BMW and Porsche in Germany, Alfa Romen in Italy, Saab in Sweden and Leyland in Britain, among others, will have to be taken over by larger

In your leading article on Trans.

December 28, you state that British Leyland's Honda deal makes sense, because it will enable the company to produce a medium-sized new model shortly. It has been said in the press that BL expects to sell some 90,000 of these cars annually. A very small number

It will take a few more years, extensive reorganization and further wast sums of money further vast sums or mount from the Government before BL will be able to bring out three or four more interthree or four more inter-nationally salable models. It seems unrealistic for BL to be able to produce and sell annually two million passenger cars by 1990.

Would it not make economic design. sense for BL to become now or the very soon part of a large and successful European group instead of wasting a lot of time, effort and money only to be forced in a few years' time by economic realities to give up its independence? Yours faithfully,

N. GALAN, El Lugano, Guadalmina Alta, San Pedro Alcanture, (Mulaga), Spain.

Squeaking pips

From Mr Jim Daley Sir, Could the reason for the recent telephone charge in-creases be due to the Post Office using lemon powder to improve the frequency of the

IIM DALEY, 73 Selby Lane, Keyworth, Nortingham NG12 5AQ.

Insuring against strikes in UK

From Dr J. M. Hammersley Sir, Sir Michael Edwardes's call for chauvinism raises various issues beyond BL for all those who seek to buy British or to earn foreign currency in times of industrial unrest. My own problem is a small and modest one, but doubtless there will be other people in similar sit-uations; and the effects add have to spend the last

week of March at a Canadian university. The arrangement

(unlike that at some trans-atlantic universities) does not atlantic universities) does not require me to travel on n Canadian or United States air line; but they did ask me to be as economical as possible. Universities everywhere are feeling the financial strain and we all bave to tighten our belts, which is fair enough. belts, which is fair enough.

I bought an Apex ticket on British Airways. For the benefit of beginners like myself, who have not previously travelled in this way, I should explain that an Apex ticket is roughly one third of the price of a full-fare economy class ticket, that it must be obtained a long time before departure, and that it is non-transferable:

I must travel on the days and

I must travel on the date and flight specified, Later this week, British Airways went on strike. abandoned the journey and I telephoned British Airways you would get nothing from us. to ask what would happen if And, if I did abandon the Oxford OX1 they were still on strike at the journey, anything for my Apex January 11.

end of March. This, they said, was a hypothetical question that they could not answer: it would depend on circumstances, they would do their best to put me on another air-line as soon as possible, but cut-price tail-enders might suffer considerable delay. Would I get my money back if they failed to get me a flight on the specified day? I got the impression that the answer is yes, though I do not have anything in writing.

My travel agent sent me a proposal form for an insurance policy intended to give cover against airline strikes. One clause gives a daily allowance for up to three days' delay; but this is no use to me, because I could not fulfil my contract in Canada if I were

Another clause "reimbursement of that pro-portion of the cost, which is irrecoverable from any other source, in the event of the abandonment of the journey". I asked the insurance company if this would cover the difference between full-fare and Apex, including the possibility of having to travel first class if all economy class seats were taken on other airlines. No. they said, you would not have

ticket? Probably not from us, they said, because you ought to be able to claim against British Airways. That seemed to render the policy rather nugatory. Since then I have been looking at quite a few policies. nooking at quite a few policies.

None give me what I need, and
many have "irrecoverable"
clauses. If this were a logical
world, the mind would boggle
at the ramifications of the Russell paradox produced when
two "irrecoverable" clauses
collide

I once nearly got caught in an airline strike in Osaka. I learnt then that employees of Japan Air Lines have (like many businesses in Japan) a to company profits. Their strike was settled in a matter of hours.

Might I, through the courtesy of your columns, ask for a clear statement from British Airways about the position of Apex ticket holders in the event of strikes, and also whether any insurance broker in London can give me a quo-tation for what I need? Or tation for what I need? Or should I ask the Canadians 10 place the business themselves on the Toronto contingency

Yours faithfully, J. M. HAMMERSLEY, Trinity Crilege, Oxford OX1 3BH.

Copies of the Annual Report for the year to 30th

Secretary, Tate & Lyle, Limited, Sugar Quay, Lower Thames Street, London EC3R 6DQ

September 1979 will be mailed to shareholders shortly and will be available from J E Wright,

The year 1979 Comments by the Chairman, the Rt Hon Earl Jellicoe

We have made significant progress with the major programme of rationalisation and renewal we have set for the Group. These tasks carry a heavy burden of related costs and we have had to conduct our operations in a trading environment which, in many areas, remains difficult.

Our ability to generate adequate profits has, as a result, been limited. Group trading profit fell from £36.4 million in 1978 to £30.1 million, although the contribution from exceptional items enabled us to show a modest improvement at the pre-tax level, from £24.6 million to £26.2

It is important — for EEC consumers and taxpayers as well as for our cane sugar refineries - that the Common Market's wasteful over-production of sugar beet should be cut. We welcome the EEC Commission's proposals for the 1980/85 sugar regime.

I stated last year that we should not expect to see any material improvement in our overall performance in the near future. Nevertheless, we are committed to pursuing vigorously programmes of action to restore Tate & Lyle to a more satisfactory level of profitability.

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of the country's economy after

The meeting of the Danish Parliamentary Committee on Economic Policy coincides with the return of the Folketing

(Danish parliament) after the

Christmas recess and signals in all probability the beginning of the next phase of Denmark's

That Denmark, a stable,

democratic state with efficient

industry and agriculture, with a near impeccable welfare state and with one of the highest standards of living in

the world (the highest in the EEC), should be embroiled in

such a crisis must appear

bizarre to the outside observer.

the country seems to be cunning smoothly. But that is on the surface. The sad fact is that, as a Norwegian newspaper recently put it, "Denmark is going to the dogs—albeit on a first class ticket". Not since 1963 has the country but it belonger.

try had a surplus in its balance of payments. In 1979 its pay-ments deficit had crept up to

per cent of its gross domestic product, with reserves of only 18,000m.

Ir was alst autumn that it finally began to dawn on the Danes that they were heading

In a now historic television interview in October, the outgoing Social Democrane Finance Minister Mr Knud Heinesen, now chairman of the

party's parliamentary group, predicted that the country was inexorably set on a ride towards the economic abyss. He

years away, unless something drastic was done.

By "nadir", Mr Heinesen

for the brink.

To all intents and purposes

economic crisis.

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Gilts pause for breath

The gilt-edged market was showing distinct signs of cooling off yesterday. That is hardly surprising after the pace of the recent advance, and one could well argue that the market is now proving extremely resilient.

There were signs vesterday bordager that There were signs yesterday, however, that overseas investors are not prepared to trust the market that far at this stage and some may have been taking their profits.

Certainly, overseas money represents a potentially destabilizing factor, so the market must now be crossing its fingers that the Government is going to end the steel strike in a way that is not going to cause a major upset in confidence—a consideration that cannot make it particularly easy for the authorities to decide whether or not to produce a new gilt issue this afternoon.

Meanwhile, the December money supply figures are much as expected, with sterling M3 rising 0.4 per cent to bring the annualized rate of growth after six months of the present target period to 111 per cent. After good gilt sales in January, it may well be that sterling M3 is now back inside the top end of the target range, but the authorities, quite wisely, are not yet prepared to accept that an improved trend has been firmly established. Noises coming out of the banks recently have not been particularly encouraging on the present trend in lending.

Gestetner

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A casualty of sterling

Gestetner is blaming much of the E7m drop to £19.1m in full year pre-tax profits on sterling's strength which has caused a straight £663,000 loss on the translation of overseas income but more punishingly forced the UK manufacturing operations supplying overseas subsidiaries forego price increases just to maintain volume.

But the half-yearly figures have shown a progressively deteriorating trend over the last three years with the latest six months almost two thirds down at £7.7m. And worries that Gestetner is now saddled with an out-of-date product line are starting to have

It is still pointing to only a 1 per cent fall in the latest year as an indication that the stencil market is not over the hill. Gesteiner has been slow to respond to the challenge of plain paper copiers, which still only account for 13 per cent of its sales, from Japan. The balance sheet is already starting to see some of the strains from this reduced profitability with retentions more than halved—after a £4.6m exchange loss—to £8.1m liquid funds down £11m at £23m and borrowings £6m higher to finance higher stocks and debtors.

Gestetner is now looking a classic example of a company that has been slow to change. With profits heading lower for the third year on the trot, it would look like ideal bid material were it not protected by the nonvoting shares. The shares dropped 3p to 73p yesterday where they yield 104 per cent.

Dixons

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Back to basics

Even a 70 per cent boost in property dealing profits to £1.2m has not saved Dixons Photographic from another lack-lustre showing at the half-year stage; profits up 7.5 per cent at £5.9m disappointed the market

and left the shares 8p lower at 97p.
Once again the Westons pharmaceuticals side proved a villain of the piece turning in a fractional loss against last time's £365,000 profit, but Dixons overseas profits dipped by more than a quarter to £1m as a result of product delays.

However, profits from the Dixons shops, selling audio equipment, cameras and so forth, jumped more than a fifth to £2.4m. Now, with the disposal of Westons shops near completion, Dixons could have at last removed a significant brake on its performance elthough it is still left with a slimmed down wholesale pharmaceuticals

Pressure on consumer spending could now slow progress and trading has been quiet since Christmas. Full-year profits of £12.5m against last year's £10.7m seem likely, though the electronics revolution

Turner & Newall

Rhodesian possibilities

Turner and Newall has discovered that its two Rhodesian subsidiaries have increased net assets by £86m to £92m during the fourteen years since UDI. This is significant for two reasons. First, it acknowledges the potential importance to T & N of its Rhodesian asbestos interests at a time when

profits growth has shown signs of pressure.

Second, the reconsolidation plan which includes a 1980 profit forecast of £12m, including £333,000 from the previously un-known gold mines, fits in with T & N policy of telling shareholders as much as possible about the Rhodesian assets and it is now understandably anxious to show how the local operation fared.

But the group does not shy away from the enormous variables that still exist with the forthcoming March election, the threat of continued war and the possibility that inflation will damage profit margins in

an alarming 15,000m crowns (about £1.250m), over twice that for 1978, and its foreign debt had reached a huge 80,000m crowns or just over 23. All this pushed the shares up by 8p to 142p where the yield is still 112 per cent. That suggests that the Rhodesian bonus-admittedly a possibility rather than a probability at this stage— is in for nothing.

Grand Met.

Time for consolidation

Last summer's opportunistic £78m rights issue coupled with a high level of retentions and despite capital spending of around f125m has brought Grand Metropolitan's gearing down from 66 per cent to 421 per cent. That together with a set of 1979 figures, showing profits on an adjusted basis up from £116m to £139m, and the prospect



Mr Maxwell Joseph, chairman of Grand

is among the best lock-away Blue Chip stocks for the next couple of

Moreover with an 8.214p a share gross dividend, reflecting the final promised at the rights, covered 3½ times there is plenty of scope for a good dividend increase for 1980 when others may find it difficult. Beyond that Grand Met, supported by its heavy capital spending programme over the past few years, will be able to take advantage of growth opportunities when they occur.

A period of consolidation is ahead, then with a 5.8 per cent yield at 140p to so on with and no obvious reason why the stability should be upset. Hotels, where room rates are lower than average and where a number of major refurbishments have been carried out should cope with slower business.

Margins have improved on milk and food : the brewery business is gaining market share and wines and spirits would have done even better but for the impact of strong sterling and a weak dollar on US sarnings. That leaves gambling where Grand Met must be a beneficiary from the demise of Ladbrokes' London casinos.

An urgent meeting of Danish meant International parliamentarians took place Fund intervention. last night to discuss the plight Mr Hoffmeyer's

last week to the leading conyet another gloomy prophesy, delivered this time by none less than Mr Erik Hoffmeyer, the governor of the Danish National servative daily Berlingske Tidende more precisely analysed the country's present plight. He said that Denmark had passed three of the six stages on the way to total economic downfall. It had lost international respect because of its ever-increasing deficit, which in turn was depriving it of its freedom to conduct an indepen-dent financial policy and it was being forced to pay excessively high interest rates (up to 18 per cent) on long-term bor-

rowing.
"Denmark is now regarded as economically irresponsible",
Mr Hoffmeyer said, "Our credibility crodes when our politicians explain year after year that they have plans to reduce our deficit and it transcribes that they have plans to reduce our deficit and it transcribes that they have plans to reduce our deficit and it transcribes that they have been additionable to the plant of the pla spires that the deficit remains the same or grows even

The last three steps towards economic doom are, according to Mr Hoffmeyer, that the Danish economy will have to be administered by the European Economic Community and/or the IMF, after which private creditors will refuse to grant the country loans, resulting in the final collapse of the social welfare system and political instability. instability.

After last night's meeting Mr

Arter last night's meeting Mr Anker Joergensen, the Prime Minister, said that he basically agreed with Mr Hoffmeyer's statement, but the government would wait until the next Economic Council report in March before deciding on further action.

further action.

Why are things in such a sorty state in a seemingly rich little country like Denmark? With hindsight one can now see that the boom years of the sixties were fuelled by continuous growing external deficits, with no action taken, culminating in the oil crises of the seventies which sent the economy reeling.

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Denmark relies on oil for about 80 per cent of its energy requirements and is thus vulnerable. With no natural re-

High-level talks on the economy took place in Copenhagen last night

Can the Danes pull back from the brink?

Mr Erik Hoffmeyer (left), governor of the Danish National Bank, whose gloomy economic forecast has brought fresh problems for Mr Anker Joergenseu (right), the Prime Minister. . .

sources of its own, and as yet possible-for Mr Joergensen to meagre returns from the North Sea (although 30 per cent of its domestic energy needs could well be satisfied from that source by the late 80s), Denmark pays about 15,000m crowns a year for imported oil, roughly the same figure as its deficit last year.

The government started tak-

-imposing the toughest economic squeeze in Danish history. After the fall of the 13-month-old Social Democratic-Liberal coalition government headed by Mr Joergensen of Premier Anker Joergensen in the late summer, following redistribution reforms and adfailure to agree on economic justments to the wage indexapolicy, the Social Democrats the biggest sparty with 68 seats in the 179-seat Folkering—formed a minority government.

get the necessary economic measures passed. After the imposition of a

two-mouth total price, divi-

dends and incomes freeze and

a brisk 5 per cent devaluation of the crown—the first unilateral Danish devaluation, as opposed to adjustment, since 1945—the new government lug drastic action last autumn bravely presented an 18-point economic austerity package to parliament. The package consisted of a prolongation of the prices and incomes curb until March, 1981; increases in capitalized pension, corporation, property and wealth taxes; tax redistribution reforms and ad-

duction of a compulsory profit-sharing scheme for workers minority government. sharing scheme for workers
With no obsolute majority and worker-controlled investand nine bickering parties to ment funds—the price the LO
contend with in parliament, it (trade union federation) has
has proved difficult—if not im-exacted from the government

for support for its incomes policy. Opposition in parliament to the economic democracy measures was so great that the

government very nearly fell in December, Fearing that they would give the LO more power, both left-ist and rightist parties opposed

the economic democracy measures, which Mr Joergensen had made an inextricable part of the whole package.

In a surprising volte face, Mr. Joergensen saved his government ar the eleventh hour, avoiding January elections, by, dropping the controversial economic democracy measures and watering down the incomes frages as allow for a 10 per freeze to allow for a 10 per cent celling on wages.

The unions' federation was astonished by the move, which has led to a major rift between LO leader Thomas Nielsen and the Social Democrats. It was thus the watered down Bill that was passed by parliament just before Christmas—at about the same time as the meeting in Caracas of the Organization of Petrology Experience Countries Petroleum Exporting Countries with its subsequent oil price rises—itself a cruel blow to the

It is now doubtful that the Christmas package will suffice. In its revised form it represents an inadequate prescription for staving off the country's economic woes.

Mr Svend Jakobsen, the Danish finance minister, had-

even before Mr Hoffmeyer's warnings predicted the need for further stringent economic medicine in the autumn of 1980. This date would seem to be about to be brought dramatically forward with a further adjustment to the Grown within the European Monetary System and a fresh package of draconian economic measures. Cuts in public spending and increases in taxes on drink and tobacco with a possible increase of VAT, now running at a 20.25 per cent across the board—are expected in all likelihood before Easter.

Christopher Follett

Keeping the home loan door open—at a price longer. The longer money sticks of marketable building society

The halcyon days of cheap mortgages have gone for good; the five million borrowers shuddering under the impact of a 15 per cent mortgage interest rate, if not more, can look for no comfort in the Stow report on mortgage finance in the 1980s published yesterday by the Building Societies Associa-

The thrust of the report is that there is no real alternative source of funds to the personal sector; and that the personal sector; and that the personal sector will not cough up sufficient money to meet demand unless the sociaties can offer a genuinaly competitive rate of interest to both the existing 25 million investors in the movement and potential recruits.

Metropolitan.

The report acknowledges that, with the recent large increases in MLR to 17 per cent, sociaties cannot move imme-diately to a fully competitive position as this would impose an undue burden on existing borrowers".

"However, if MLR is reduced, societies will be able to regain their competitiveness by maintaining their current rates. If the general level of interest rates does not fall, or if it rises further, then a further increase in building society rates will need to be considered."

Because attention is usually focussed on the borrower it is often overlooked that it is the rate paid to investors which, in fact, sets the pace for the mortgage interest rate. This is the rate which needs to be made competitive, the report argues. what it fails to do is to define what is a competitive interest rate for societies.
At the moment, building societies are offering investors

15 per cent (the grossed up equivalent of the 10.5 per cent share rate) which is the same

National Savings Bank investment accounts, and better than the yield on gilts of all lengths and the return on the new issue of National Savings certificates which go on sale next

In short, what the building societies mean by competitive is not merely competitive, but super-competitive. To attract such a huge volume of funds-£510m net a month this year rising to an estimated £680m by 1985—the societies need a very distinct edge over their rivals in the personal savings

Traditionally, the building society share rate used to be two points higher than bank denosit rate; rodsy, a ½ to 1 point above local authority three-month money rate, at present around 17 per cent, is present around 17 per cent, considered desirable. In practice this means that

interest rates in general have to fall by around 3 per cent before societies would consider their present rate structure sufficiently competitive to clear the mortgage queues.

But this does beg the question that if rates are going to have to rise (or rather not fall) to this extent, why not approach the institutional or wholesale money market for funds in large tranches rather than continue with the costly exercise of collecting money from a multitude of smaller savers?

Mr Ralph Stow, cho chaired the working party, said yesterday that his committee had con-cluded that it is still better to go to the retail (personal savings) market with a higher rate of interest.

But the argument that smaller savers and investors would abandon building societies in order to have their funds pro-

Margaret Stone

money markets by intermediate needs to be tested, before the alternative funding route is jettisoned.

There are, however, practical and legal limitations as to the amount of money that can be brought in through ventures such as the £20m loan facility such as the £20m loan facility that was recently arranged by merchant bankers S. G. Warburg for the Anglia, Hastings and Thanet Building Society.

Although £8m has already been taken up by borrowers since the beginning of December—paying 2½ points above MLR—the loans are special advances which must not exceed 10 per cent of total lending, £30m in Anglia's case.

Meantime, there can be doubt

Meantime, there can be doubt that much greater emphasis in

future is going to be placed on the development of term chares. For a long time, the building society industry has prided itself on its ability to borrow short and lend long-thus breaking the first rule of prudent banking-but no

longer. The longer money sticks with a society the less it needs.

Recent research by the Provincial Building Society shows that when money is held for a mere seven days, then £161m is needed to finance one average mortgage of £12,000 for 25 years; money held for six months means a requirement of £600,000 to fund a £12,000 mortgage for 25 years; money which

gage for 25 years; money which sticks for a year, means that only £300,000 is needed; and if it is held for four years, then only £72,000 is needed to fund that £12,000 mortgage over 25 Term shares (from one to five years) now account for 13 per cent of the societies' balances, and the indications are that as much as £30m ner a month could be raised for the same

average cost of funds. But even the most devoted an of term shares would admit some improvement is needed—particularly if the societies make the term longer. Investors need to be offered an exit route—with appropriate penalties—to meet exceptional emergencies.

More exciting still would be the development of some form

security. Another option would be the

equivalent of the building society certificate of deposit, which preliminary discussions in the City, indicate could be viable, provided it was sufficiently large (at least £50.000) and had a fixed rate of interest. Although the working party

is convinced that a 15 per cent mortgage rate is not a deterrent to prospective borrowers-supported by evidence at the top end of the scale from the foreign banks in the United Kingdom home loan market that wealthier borrowers do not turn a hair (visibly anyway) at rates nearer 20 per cent-it remains to be seen how the average borrower will react.

First indication from a few of the big biulding societies

or the big bluiding societies suggest that the 15 per cent rate might have a much greater effect on would-be borrowers than previous sharp increases in the mortgage rate.

However, if borrowers do stay away, then of course, the problem of the supply of funds will be solved: by cutting off demand.

Technology

Safer steering for tankers

happen which causes people to think again and go back to the drawing board-or to redraft regulations. And, again from time to time, the unexpected event is a catastrophe.

In the mid-1950s the accifirst jet airliner, illuminated a hitherto unappreciated facet of metal fatigue. In March, 1978, the Amoco Cadiz disaster, in which the supertanker ran aground and caused a huge spillage of oil off the Brittany coast, showed up a defect which called for new thinking on aspects of steering large The Amoco Cadiz accident

was ironic in its timing. The Inter-governmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO), as part of its continuing work on safety at sea, had held a conference on tanker safety and pollution prevention in February, 1978, at which new safety requirements had been agreed.

Accidents

This move by IMCO, specialized agency of United Nations, had followed a series of American tanker accidens in the winter of 1976-77. The new proposals, it was believed, covered every conceivable eventuality. That was in February: in March the Amoco Cadiz proved the experts wrong. The principal cause of the

disaster was attributed to a breakdown of the steering gear, which put the vessel, carrying a cargo of about 220,000 tons of crude oil, on to the Brittany But the failure of the steer-

ing gear on the Amoco Cadiz, it transpired, would not have been avoided even if the safety measures agreed the previous month had already been implemented. (In practice, there is inevitably a period of several years between agree restoration of at least a limited ment on recommended changes steering ability should be pos-

when it is under way and that of the process of international law-making. Neither the ship nor the legal process can change cular course has been set. Thus the next stage in the implementation of international

maritime safety regulations will be the adoption next May of the be the adoption next May of the 1974 Convention on the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS). This will reflect only the pre-Amoco Cadiz improvements in steering genr—but IMCO's later work on revised, requirements will also be reviewed in May and province the beauty and province the control of the sion is being made to implement them reasonably quickly. IMCO's Maritime Safety Committee is preparing an up-to-date list of recommendations and though the formal outcome

will depend on the May review, the committee has already made known its main lines of thought on the new measures that will Against this background, two Scottish companies in the

Vickers group—John Hastie of Greenock, and Brown Brothers of Edinburgh—have jointly developed a new version of their existing steering systems which is intended to meet the most severe of the expected IMCO proposals. A key requirement is that a single failure in piping or power units would not impair the integrity of the steering gear.
In the Hastie-Brown solution the failure would be automatic-

ally corrected and the steering gear would continue to operate continuously during the change from normal to emergency steering. In essence this is achieved by enabling the normal steering system, which is based on four hydraulic rams, to be switched over to act as two independent

Specifically, the system is designed to ensure that: (1) a single failure in the hydraulic system should not prevent a rapid recovery of the ability to steer; (2) any interruption of the ability to steer should not last more than 45 seconds; (3)

Finding out the hard way is, and the date on which the sible without significant reelas, an integral part of technological advance. However skilled the analysis or thorough the planning from time to time to time an unexpected event will happen which causes people to ing has occurred; and (6) the system should isolate a leak be-

fore a total loss of oil occurs.

There is sufficient redundancy in the gear, which has four hydraulic rams and two power units, to enable a fault to be isolated. In other words, the system can absorb a failura in one port because the total design offers alternative operat-ing mechanisms in parallel. If a fault does develop the system becomes in effect two independent two-ram systems. The defective half is shut down and the other one controls the rudder.

Emergencies

At the least this will give dequate control for emergency

when a fault is indicated, a "logic control unit" divides the system, shuts down the power unit associated with the defective half and starts up the other power unit if it is not already running. Float-switches in each tank detect leaks before any loss of steering occurs and activate the logic control unit If necessary, the logic unit

can be activated by manual control from the bridge. In the event of a complete power failure to the steering gear, the rudder can be stopped by manual operation of the rudder locking valve fitted to each cylinder.

Overall, the new components in the design are "fail safe", in that their failure would not affect the normal operation of the gear. Applications have been filed for patents covering the system.

The Hastie-Brown equipment is now being tested in sea trials on board a Shell tanker. This latest development aimed at meeting the forthcoming IMCO proposals follows a combined experience by the two com-panies of supplying earlier types of steering gear to over 25,000 vessels.

Kenneth Owen

Rhodesian businessmen are delighted that the EEC foreign ministers are to grant free access to most Rhodesian goods Phase II-Troopiesongs this year. The first to feel the benefit

tould be the Rhodesian robacco industry. This year's auctions on the world's three largest auction floors in Salisbury open in April and, with production back in praction layer and a good to pre-UDI level and a good trop expected, the duty-free expert of tobacco could quickly see growers' foreign earnings increase by a fifth or more.

Donald Bullock, president of

the Rhodesia Tobacco Auction said that much of the ground lost during the past 14 years could soon be made up. After the United States Rhodesia produces the high quality cigar-ette in the world. The first objective of Rhod-

esian producers is likely to be the British market, which took half the country's production before sanctions were imposed in 1966. The EEC decision would give Rhodesian tobacco an added price advantage over other countries which have sup-planted her India, Korea and

Other markets which Rhodes-Brazil. ian producers will try to pene-

trate quickly are France, Germany and Holland.
Although Rhodesian beef and sugar have been excluded from the EEC decision, other agri-cultural products all major mineral exports and a selected list of manufactured goods will gain heavily from the removal of duty by the Nine and the

disappearance of the sanctions surcharge.

The benefits will spill over into expanded production, increased employment and better wages, Bullock said.



 A souvenir that many British businessmen are now bringing back from Southern Rhodeia at present is a record made in South Africa by John Edmond

(above). Edmond has cornered the Rhodesian market in "Troopie songs" or barrack-room ditties that can be sung either to or by reservists patrolling the borders and rural districts—or can be listened to by their families and their sweethearts at home.

He has a pleasant, light tenor voice and a nimble grasp of pop music styles that can rise above the turged nd occasionally bloodthirsty tone of his lyrics.

For instance, there is a calypso-style song from his Phase II album which deals with infiluration over the Zambezi River by "terrs"—or terrorists/freedom fighters, de-pending on your politics—whose words can be adapted for sing. ing for almost any unit in the

It's called The Happy Safari, to pitch for the account, Rhodesian forces.

and goes thus: "I saw a Hippoteamus He was making loss of fuss

Business Diary: Pipe of peace? • Singalong troopie

There was something stuck in his throat It was a terr in a blow-up boat."

Shops in Salisbury were just about empried of Edmond's re-cords over Christmas, although what tune he will be singing after February's one-man, onevote elections remains to be Competition on Madison

Avenue for the advertising account about to be avarded by De Lorean Motor Company has been intense. In the summer De Lorean will start producing £8,000 sports cars from a new plant in west Belfrom a new plant in west Bel-fast and a big promotional campaign in America is being planned. One adventurous agency hired a light aircraft and flew round the Manhattan skyscraper where De Lorean has offices trailing a neon sign

• After a decade in which the deputy governors of the West German Federal Bank have made more of a name for themselves abroad than at home, the number two post in Frankfurt is once again in the possession of a man who is a specialist on domestic monetary affairs. Dr Helmut Schlesinger has

Dr Helmut Schlesinger has taken over as deputy to Federal Bank president Karl Otto Poehl from the beginning of this year. Unlike his job-hopping chief, the 55-year-old Schlesinger has long been one of the key figures in the "engine room" of the Federal Bank. His career in Frankfurt stretches back to 1952 when he joined back to 1952 when he joined the Bank Deutscher Laender,, the forerunner of the present

Throughout, he has been associated ith the economics and statistical department and is the Federal Bank's guru on monetary policy. In this latte capacity he can claim to have had a strong indirect influence on recent economic and political history in Britain, as our conversion to money supply policy oed a good deal to the West German example. Backing up Poehl as the new foreign minister of the

Federal Bank will be Dr Leonhard Gleske, who is now sure to become a familiar figure on the international monetary circuit as he shuttles between meetings Gleske is also an old Bank Deutscher Laender Land, but spent several years in private banking and at the EEC Commission. It was in the mid 1970s that he left the undoubted calm of the presidency of the

state central bank in Bremen to

take responsibility for the Federal Bank's currency policies.

The fact that David Somerser has raken over from John Page as chief cashier of the Bank of England, as the man whose signature goes on banknotes, may not be of great interest to anybody outside the Old Lady especially since banknotes disappear from the wallet at lightning speed these days-but one fact ought not to go un-It is that in Somerset we have, so far as is known, the

signing the bank notes bearing the picture of the House of Windsor. Somerset is related to the Plantagenets, whose last monarch was Richard III-he of the hump and the Olivier sneer

first instance of a rival house

—who departed this life on Bosworth Field in 1485. Somerset, according to Bustness Diary's columnar genealo-gist, is related to an illegitimate branch of the Duke of Beaufort's family, is 19th in descent from John O'Gaunt and so forth back to kinsman King Richard. The new chief cashier is also a consin of HM the Queen via

the Duke of Wellington's family to whom the Queen Mother is related. Noteworthy, ahem? Royalty joining the unton ranks? Apparently this has happened in Brighton. Prince Will Usmar, next in line to be chief of the 2,000-strong Akwapim tribe in Ghana has

been recruited into the Fire

Brigades Union after qualifying

pesterday as a fireman. Ross Davies

Eurotherm 10 pc rise fails to please

Profits of Eurotherm Inter-national, the electronic temperature control group which came to market nearly 20 months ago, got a cool reception from the stock market yesterday. Although sales advanced 23 per cent to £21.6 million—more than half came from overseas— pretax profits were only 10 per cent ahead at £2.9 million. The shares, which were 83 times oversubscribed when the

group was floated and have changed hands at 370p in the last year, dropped 4p to 291p.
Pressure on profits growth
would have been increased
further had Turnbull Control Systems not turned a £300,000 loss into a £300.000 profit. But against that, there were management problems with their company in France, which

Changes have been made, but the group estimates it will take a year before the operation can resume the sort of profits growth Eurothern has come to expect. In addition the results would have been £200,000 higher but for the strength of

contributes 10 per cent to group

sterling. Dr Jack Leonard, the group Dr jack Leonard, the group managing director, said:
"Profitablity is not as large as we would have liked to show the world, but we have no problems that we feel we are not in control of, and we see no reason why the current year will not produce further sails. will not produce further satisfactory results.
The final dividend is 4.284p,

By Our Financial Staff

Berisford held back by dull markets

Flat commodities market in the second balf, with cocoa especially dull, held back profits at S & W Berisford, the merchaning group, 19 £32.2m, an increase of less than £1m. Interest charges were about half as much again as last year,

partly because of slower turn-over and partly because of higher interest rates. Delays in payment by customers holding on to their cash and taking advantage of the high interest rates was also a factor.
The company has enjoyed a

spectacular growth record. In the decade to September 31, 1978, the end of the previous financial year, earnings grew at an average annual compound rate of 50 per cent. Mr. N. G. Hanson, the company's finance director, says this growth cannot be expected to continue indefinitely. While commodities, mainly

soft ones, constitute about two-thirds of pretax profits, the other major contributors are food and drink, and metals. food and drink, and metals.
Both showed reasonable progress over the year, with the
metals sector benefiting from
strong aluminium prices. Mr
Hauson warned, however, that
the steel strike, if prolonged,
could bite into these profits.

Analysts regard Berisford as
a company with high exposure
of fluctuations in commodity

to fluctuations in commodity markets. It keeps a level book, without much hedging, and therefore depends mainly on

Group turnover was £2,170m against £1,341m in 1978. The final dividend is 10.7143 gross, an increase of 55.8 per cent over last year for shareholders who retained their shares when the group's capital was raised by 10 per cent. The dividend is covered 3.78 times on earnings per share of 28.37p. The shares were unchanged at 146p.

Wigfall debt charge move

Television rental group Henry Wigfall may be about to come to an arrangement with a finance house to lift the weight of interest charges from the profit and loss account. In the 28 weeks to October 13 interest amounted to £1.3m, against a previous £900,000 and with borrowings currently touching £10m this figure will be considerably higher at the

Wigfall currently finances all

year to give shareholders a cash repayment of 20p a share. The

the company.

Mr Strudwick is thought to

want to continue to run Royco

vesterday that the group is looking for a way to reduce borrowings.

In 1973 finance house United

In 1973 finance house United Dominions Trust was issued with 1.2m shares at 415p a share but this near 25 per cent stake was sold in 1977.

In the six-month period under review pretax profits shipped from £300,000 to £270,000 on turnover £2m higher at £22.2m. The interim dividend has been maintained at 4.3p gross and the directors are making

Stock markets

Light profit taking as equities wait for lead

After a 50 point rise in a fortnight and Wednesday's biggest one-day jump since last April the FT 30 index constituents took a breather. But stituents took a breather. But profit taking remained light and buyers were still around. There were losses throughout the list in gilt edged too after weakness at the start of busi-ness, but once again there was little weight behind the sell-

ing.
It can hardly be said that the trade returns, the threat of a water strike, the growing bitterness of the steel dispute or the latest money supply figures had an impact.

Vosper settled at 1900 after Wednesday's 17p fall from grace. The acquisition of 51 per cent of Hovermarine Transport for £1m means money going out, but if the compensation theory is right, it is only tion theory is right, it is only a matter of time before £18m or so of compensation money will be coming back in.

Last week the authorities forecast an increase in sterling M3 of 1 per cent in the three weeks to mid December. The news that it rose by 0.4 per cent aroused virtually no response.

The market assumes that a

The market assumes that a new long tap of up to £1,000m on a partly paid basis on terms in line with the rest of the market will appear this afternoon and waiting for this was enough to explain yesterday's quieter conditions.

The basic mood of the market-fear of being left behind in a nascent bull market-was

undisturbed by the day's events.

Siddely at 184p were both 6p lighter. Unitever shed 5p at close there was no strong reac-tion to new moves in the steel dispute. Short gilts showed only tiny scattered falls. Foreign buyers seemed once again to be in evidence. nighter. Unilever shed up at 475p but profit taking clipped up from Trusthouse Forte following its set of preliminary figures on Wednesday.

At 10 am the FT Index was down 4.5 but buyers promptly moved in. An hour later it was only 1.6 off. However, the softer trend resumed and at 3 am the index was 6.1 down. But again a rally was attempted and at the close the index was only 4.7 down at 450.8.

Int or Fia
Assoc Paper Ind (F) 44.5(36.6)
Avana Grp (I)
AGB Research (I) 13.0(8.9)
BR Elec Tractions (I) 373.0(334.0)
S. & W. Berisford (F) 2,170.0(1,341.0)
Branagore Jute (F) 5.3(6.7)

5.3(6.7) --(--) 24.2(22.2) 2.24(2.14)

2.4(2.0) 0.78(0.94)

Leading industrials best re-flected the listless conditions although, after much ming and froing, they did manage to finish off the bottom. This was hest witnessed in ICI which finished only 2p off at 375p. Larger falls of 10p were seen in Fisons at 289p while

1.9(1.9)

0.42(0.37) 2.7(2.7) 0.29(0.31)

5.9(\$.5) 2.9(2.6) 19.2(26.6) 0.40(0.34) 0.19(0.25)

However, the market was less kind to Grand Metropoli-tan, where profits were bang up to expectations, and the share price tumbled 6p to 140p. The market also took a dim-view of the figures from Eurotherm International, a relative newcomer to the market, sliding newcomer to the market, sliding 4p to 291p. Other companies to lose ground after reporting yesterday included Dixons Photographic down 8p at 97p, Herry Wigfall also 8p off at 210p, AGB Research 5p down at 168p with falls of 3p in BET D'Fd at 122p and Gestetner "A" at 73p.

Latest results

Earnings per share 11.54(12.54)

-(-) 4.71(3.7)

-(-) 7.1(6.4)

2,78(3.05)

-(-) 18.24(14.01) 20.7(30.7) 3.14(2.65)

28.37(30.1)

Adverse comment on Wednesday's report from Tate & Lyle clipped 10p from the price at 160p and profit taking took 1p from Allied Colloids at 125p. Shares of Royco soared 7p to 481p on news of a takeover approach by a private company Bonnerpark, controlled by its

own former chairman, Roy Turner & Newall proved a bright spot rising 8p to 142p after announcing the re-consolidation of its Rhodesian interests following the recent ceasefire.

Bid rumours beloed Davenport Brewers to a 9p rise at
156p while Wolverhampton & Dudley Brewery, rumoured to be the other interested party, remained firm at 2789. Elsewhere in breweries Belhaven improved 2p to 364p after Mr Eric Morley's optimistic re-

Pay date 1/4 10/4 7/3 10/4 8/4

3.65(3.47)

--(--) --(--) --(7.5) 7.5(4.6)

5.0(2.22) --(--) --(1.75) --(2.85) 4.5(2.68)

4.5(2.58) 4/4 5.25(4.41) 9/4 -(-) 21/4 5.75(-) 5/3 -(-) 27/4 -(-)

pence 2.44(2.26) 1,0(1.9)

1.25(0.76)

marks upon being elected chief executive and joint chairman, But bid denials left Freidland Doggart 4p off at 127p.

There was strong selling yesterday into Midland Bank's Ilp jump to 361p on reports that its merchant bank, Samuel Montagu, had made a killing in silver. Midland flatly denied the rumour and it seems there was a misunderstanding over a stockbroker's report of the bank's dealing position.

Stores had another active session highlighted by a strong performance from House of Praser 10p up at 135p, after 138p. Rumours persist that Londro Sp better at 105p, is about to sell its stake in the group which in turn was re-cently mentioned in connection with Debenhams, 2p down at

Electricals had a quieter time than of late with Racal un-changed at 205p as Decca, in which Racal is thought to be ready to make a bid, improved 5p to 330p. Muirhead remained nervous ahead of next week's postponed figures, losing 7p at 241p, and Electrocomponents gained a further 2p to 468p in an extremely thin market.

Equity turnover on January 16 was £157.049m (20,113 bar-16 was £157.049m (20,113 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Consolidated Gold Fields, Imperial Confinental Gas, Grand Metropolitan Hotels, ICI, Trustionise Forte, Shell, R.T.Z., Racal, Rank Lasmo, GEC, Marks & Spencer and Upilever

year end.

Royco's ex-chief wins control

Jersey - based millionaire Samuel Montagu is currently property developer Mr Roy evaluating the bid and advises Strudwick, former chairman of shareholders to take no action

building group Royco, is bid-meantime. However, the mer-ding to take over the outstand-chant bank did admit that there

ing part of the company he does is no other bidder.

Mr Strudwick, who brought the building company to market park a subsidiary of Mr Strudwick; in 1972, initiated a scheme last year to give shareholders.

Investments, announced that it repayment of 20p a share. The had acquired a 40.95 per cent fam came from Royco's large holding in Royco and was offer cash pile which resulted from

ing 50p a share for the bulance of the equity. However, a two-hour buying spree in the market, where the shares opened at 41 p. brought the Bonner
Mr Strudwick is thought to

The final dividend is 4.284p, its own debt and rental busining a total of 6.426p against an interim last time of 3.82p. its own debt and rental business and Mr Richard Morrell, managing director, admitted

and the directors are making no indication of the year-end figure. The shares, which fell 8p to 210p, now yield a historic 9.2 per cent.

American insurance giant's profits jump

Although revenue for the year was only 11.5 per cent up at \$530m (£234m), net income was 36 per cent bigher at \$93.3m, boosted by \$11m from the sale of its 20 per cent stake in British insurance broker Bland Payne.

The improvement would have been yet more marked but for a surge in expenses in the final

a surge in expenses in the final quarter Some three-quarters of the

group's revenue comes from insurance services, a further fifth from pension consultancy and advisory services and the rest from investment manage-ment. Meanwhile analysts on Wall Street feel that the strength of the Bowring rebuff makes it unlikely that the Americans will press ahead with a contested bid.

people business", said Miss loan Zief, of brokers Merrill Lynch. "I think they would find it herd to justify an unformally allowed to be said the s

The consensus of opinion, however, differed. Bowring needs McLenven more than it needs Bowring, in spite of the fact that the Americans want a Lloyds outlet so they no longer have to share commission on business placed in that

connection with their inint company - Ransburg-Peabody. company — Ransburg-Peabody.
Sale will sell its 50 per centshareholding in the joint company to Ransburg Corp for
about £275,000 cash. Sale will also buy, for cash, the fixed assets, stock and work-in-progress of part of Ransburg-Peabody's business

Transport group slows progress at BET calendar year. As such, the effects of the lorry drivers' lorry drivers' strike, showed strike were felt on BET's first half profit figures. Although most of United Transport's business is common to the second half, the group is expected to show a Profits from the Rhodesian

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A. & J. Gelfer (I)
Gnorma Photography

A downturn in the contribution from British Electric Trac-tion's subsidiary United Trans-port and 58 per cent owned Rediffusion, coupled to higher interest charges, left overall profits only alightly better. In the six months to Septem-ber 30, pretax profits increased by £500.000 to £34.8m on turn-over up from £334m to £372m. over up from £334m to £372m.

In the period profits at Rediffusion fell by £1.4m to £5.4m but it is expected to turn in a better performance in the second haif.

BET's profit, has a financial year, which coincides with the

dustries' pre tax profits were little changed at £1.94m, compared with £1.9m in the previous 12 months. Turnoyer for

the year to September 29 rose by just over a fifth to £44.58m. Profits made no progress in

ber of offshots produced excel-

lent results. But there were

problems at two subsidiaries which held the group back in a

year which would otherwise have seen a "considerable im-provement" in profits. The

total gross dividend is being

slightly increased to 5.21p, against 5.19p.

A.P.I.'s board says the open-

ing months of the current year

have not been easy, but the group is in a much stronger position than it was a few years ago and is better able to with-

stand any recession.

Sale Tilaey's

US deals

Associated Paper In-

A. & J. Gelfer (I) 2.4(2.0) 0.40(0.34) 3.14(2.65) 1.5(1.4) 9.4 -(-)
Gnome Photo (I) 0.78(0.94) 0.19(0.25) -(-) -(-) -(-) -(-)
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Prov Cities Tree (I) -(-) 0.07(0.07) -(-) 0.7(0.64) 5/3 -(-)
Reliant Group (F) 25.3(22.1) 0.47(0.10) -(-) 0.5(-) 27/2 -(-)
Savill Gordon (I) 13.9(10.0) 0.72(0.63) -(-) 0.52(-) 2/4 -(-)
H. Wigdall (I) 22.0(20.0) 0.27(0.3) -(-) 3.0(3.0) 8/3 -(13.5)
Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News divi ands are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428, Profits are shown pro-tax and earnings are net. a=10ss.

Transport's business is overseas, the effects of the haulage dispute and the bad weather at the beginning of last year have lopped around £1m from profits. Interest charges in the period increased from £5m to £8.2m but this was partly offset by a rise in investment income from £2.7m to £3.3m.

United Transport, which accounts for around a third of BET's profit, has a size of the siz

the group is expected to show a small improvement on last time's £72m which could take pre-tax profits to around £75m. However the steel strike could affect some of the subsidiaries, including Boulton & Paul and the plant hire company. The interim dividend, at 2.66p

is the same as last year. But, if the final is increased at the same rate as earnings share-holders could receive a final payout of around 8.5p which on yesterday's share price at 112p. bution while structural steel down 3p, gives a prospective specialist Boulton & Paul, which yield of 9.1 per cent.

offshoots, which the group has continued to consolidate, improved in the first half though no breakdown was given of its contribution. In 1978-79 this side turned in £3.5m of the £72m total profit. However, it has liquid capital of almost £9m and net assets of more than £20m. Following a settlement the group is hoping to be able to use the cash for current divi-

A below-the-line extraordinary debit of £236,000 results from the cost of the sale of an offshoot of subsidiary Humphries

Briefly

park stake up to 50.02 per cent giving it control.

At 50p a share Royco is valued at £10m.

Spending cuts knock Gnome Photographic

On sales down from £949,000 to £789,000, pre-tax profits of Gnome Photographic Products fell from £252,000 to £198,000 in the half-year to Nov 30. The hoard explains tout, usually, the first half provides marginally higher profits than the second. However, the public spending cuts are starting to take effect and the board feels it unwise at this time to predict the full year's figures.

EMI-TRORN

Thorn Electrical Industries announces that acceptances of its offer have been received in respect of more than 90 per cont of the Issued ordinary stock units of EMI. There intends to compulsorily acquire the belance. REDGEFIELD—BITING

Hedgefield Country Securities' offer for Biting Ruber Estates attracted acceptances for 38.12 rer cent of ordinary capital. Hedgefield held 13.03 per cent before offer. Offer unconditional

and remains open.

NESCO INVESTMENTS Nesco Investments (formerly Nigerian Electricity Supply Coro) reports pre-tax profits for half-year to Aug 31, £490,000 (£392,000).

PROVINCIAL CITIES TRUST Gross income for half-year to Nov 30, £91.000 (£89,000). Board full-year's income to

exceed last year. CANDECCA-CAMBRIAN

Candecca Resources has received acceptances in respect of 608,900 shares in Cambrian Exploration, comprising 99.81 per cent of the share capital presently in issue. Candecca has declared offer un-conditional as to acceptances. BARR & WALLACE

Barr & Wallace Arnold Trust has bought Gordon Sudworth (Pet-roleum Supplies) for a sum which does not exceed 5 per cent of Barr's net tangible assets. Sudworth is a marketing distributor for BP Oil Ltd.

In a £340,000 cash deal, Weeks Associates have sold the Drayton Road, Norwich, freehold premises and land of Hunton International, to Prudential Assurance within a few months of closing the axle-

Options

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Eusiness on the traded options market receded slightly yesterday, along with the remainder of the market. Total contracts fell from the previous day's figure of 1,193 to 955. Business ras fairly evenly spread with Imperial Group attracting 153 contracts and Cons Gold, following its recent spectacular rise along with the gold price, reaching 117 contracts.

Today sees the introduction of several new series of options including the Cons Gold April and July 500p and the R.T.Z. Fcbruary, May and August 390p

Reorganization at Philips Philips Lamps, the Dutch

as a housebuilder and commercial property developer. The Mr Rey H. Strudwick, former shares closed last night at 48 p. chairman of Royco.

electrical giant, is to reorgan-ize key factories in the Nether-lands at a cost running into "tens of millions of guilders".

The factories involved, which make up the Elcoma and Glass Divisions, are primarily manufacturers of electronic compon-ents, particularly integrated circuits and cicro-technology. The company says the re-

organization, which will take several years, is intended to restore loss-making factories to profitability. Jobs should also be protected, although total employment in the factories will fall by about 1,500 over the next three or four years. Philips faces intense competi-

tion from Japanese companies and is determined to stay in business as a major inter-national electronics company. The restructuring is one way of meeting the competition.

Standard, California

A financial officer for Standard Oil of California expects the company's fourth-quarter (1979) profits will show an increase of 70 to 75 per cent on 1978. Mr Howard W. Bell, the

firm's financial vice-president, said earnings a share for the full year of \$10.50 to \$11 would Through the first nine months of 1979, the company earned \$1,330m, or \$7.82 a share, on sales of \$22,000m.

Deutsche BP

reports that 1979 net earnings totalled Dun198m, against the Dm250m profit predicted by the company in October, 1979.
According to Deutsche BP, profits fell short of expectations because of higher costs

International

Generale Occidentale

Attributable net consolidated profit of Generale Occidentale was 76m francs in the six months to end-September, 1979, while the parent company's net profit was 5.17m francs. No comparisons are available because of the change in the dates of the company's financial year. For the previous accounting period of July 1, 1978, to March 31, 1979, the attributable net consolidated profit was 80.34m francs and the parent company's net profit 31.8m francs.—

Total sales for 1979 were expected to exceed 1978 by 20 per cent to 22 per cent.

Deutsche BP, the West German unit of British Petroleum,

in the form of rising oil prices. However, the company pointed out that the 1979 earnings were more than eight times higher than the 1978 profit of Dm23m.

From Tony Hilton
New York, Jan 17
Marsh and McLennan, the
American insurance giant currently seeking to merge with
Lloyds Brokers C. T. Bowring,
had a very successful 1979,
according to the figures
released in New York yesterday. Although revenue for the

Insurance broking is

friendly takeover—particularly as this would be right against the pattern of insuance brokering acquisitions in the United States in the last 10 years. It is just not done. Nor is it considered wise, and intuitively I don't think Marsh and McLennan would do it."

market.

"I think they will come to some agreement, perhaps short of full takeover, sometime in the future", Miss Zief said.
"The problem so far was one timing. Marsh and McLennar perhaps tried to move too fast. But people now see this as slow

Associated Paper held back by subsidiaries

Strike fails to stop the first half. During the year,
A.P.I. undertook substantial
capital investments and a num.

Pre-tax profits of Pre-tax profits of the J. Tate and Lyle says it has Saville Gordon Group, the engineers' merchants and metal processing group, for the half-year to October 31 last, rose by 13.5 per cent to £723,000 despite the effects of the engineering strike, Group turn-over expanded by 39 per cent to £13,97m. The Chairman, Mr John Saville, said that in view of the difficulties experienced due to the strike the results were particularly encouraging. However the strike would have

a significant effect on all engineering companies. Both the engineers' merchants division and the metal process-ing division showed increases turnover and profits.

Sale Tilney has entered into Pre-tax loss halved two agreements with the Ran-burg Corp of Indianapolis in by Barnagore Jute

On turnover reduced from £6.75m to £5.34m, Barnagore Jute Factory halved its pre-tax loss from £638,000 to £306,000 in the 12 months to March 31, 1979. Once again, there is no ordinary dividend. The board reports that since the year-end, trading conditions have very

Tate & Lyle sells tanker offshoot

> Silver Navigation, its whollyowned subsidiary, Athelstane Tankers, whose principal assets are two 39,700 tonne DWT product tankers, for £18.75m

Tate and Lyle says the sale will produce a book profit in the 1979 consolidated accounts of £.5m which will be dealt with as an extraordinary item.
Taking account of the savings. it is considered the sale will have no significant effect on

1980 trading results. The sale is subject to clearance by the Office of Fair Trading.

Booker McConnell's Dutch purchase

Booker McConnell's fluid engineering subsidiary, SPP Group of Reading, has acquired 76 per cent of the capital of Robot Pompen NV, a Dutch public company, for 1475,000 cesh. The acquisition is Booker McConnell's first investment in a Dutch company. In 1978, Robot had sales of £2.4m and carned a profit, before tax, of £140,000. Net tangible assets attributable

which consists of the manufac-ture and sale of electrostatic blade coaters and off-site paint-ing. The consideration will be the net book values at Oct 31. assured.

Results bound at Reliant Motor

On turnover up from £22,17m tember 30, pre-tax profits of the Reliant Motor Group (now a subsidiary of J. F. Nash Securities) jumped from £108,000 to £470,000. As forecast, Reliant is paying an interim dividend of 0.71p gross, but no final, for the year. The last ordinary dividend dend was for 1974-75. Nash holds 96.9 per cent of Reliant's ordinary capital and 92.4 per cent of the preference.

Avana Group confident

Profits earned by the Avana Group is the eight months to the end of November were higher than for the similar period in 1978, the board reports.

Although there are signs that trading conditions are becoming more difficult, the board is, nevertheless, confident that the year's results will be better than for 1978-79. The board feels justified in paying a second interim dividend of 1.42p gross: a first interim of a similar amount has already been paid. Avana are cake manufacturers, bakers and confectioners.

Kitchen Queen AGM

In the absence of Mr Johnson...

In spite of the abrupt departure, less than 24 hours earlier of Mr Neville Johnson, chairman and chief executive—he having disposed of 8.5 million shares for £900,000 —the first annual general meeting of Kitchen Queen in Manchester, yesterday passed off in 13 minutes with barely a raised eyebrow, let alone a raised voice.
Indeed, but for the presence of Mr
Johnson's brother, Joel, there would have been no comment whatever from the floor at the meeting attended by just over 100 shareholders.

shareholders.

Mr Leonard Morris, who has assumed the chairmanship, and, along with his business associate, Mr Jim Bentham, executive management responsibility for the company, made it clear from the outset that he had no intention of going beyond the action of some beyond the chair that the laborary about Mr Lobrague. public statement about Mr Johnson's resignation made the previous day—a decision, which no one present seemed in the least inclined to challenge.

become clear from management informa-tion and figures, that during November and December losses were being incurred in the retailing and manufacturing divi-sion against the optimistic forecasts contained in the chairman's statement.

Mr Morris, making his first appearance as chairman of a public company, and apologizing for his lack of experience in the role, said in the past 10 days it had

Mr Johnson's statement in the annual report and accounts was subsequently approved on the nod. Mr Morris said: "In those circumstances, Mr Johnson felt it was his responsibility to resign. "In view of the trading situation within the group and in view of the 12 years"

experience in managing companies of similar size, nature and complexity, Mr Bentham and I would have to assume management control"

Management control."

Mr Morris said in view of this, he and Mr Bentham had acquired from Mr Johnson and his family, 8.5 million shares for a consideration of £900,000 being approximately 10½p a share. This meant they now held 28.4 per cent of the issued share capital. "I consider that a very substantial commitment on our behalf", he said. he said. Mr Morris said he hoped the meeting would appreciate the difficult position he was in and not press questions that he was

not in a position to answer. Questions would, therefore, be limited to those which were "proper to an annual general He need not have worried. No questions were asked Indeed when he and Mr Bentham offered themselves for reelection as directors only about a dozen shareholders raised their hands in favour. But since no one voted against, the re-election could be declared

Equally passively, the meeting approved a dividend of 0.864p per-share for the year ending August 31, 1979 to be paid un February 14. Only when other business was reached did Mr Joel Johnson rise to say that the meeting would be sware that he and his brother had had "frequent and bitter differences of opinion over management

and policy matters . . .". He got no further than this, when Mr

Morris stopped him and indicated that he did not think this was the appropriate

nnanimous.

place to say whatever he was going to Mr Johnson protested, although mildly, that he could not think of any other place for a shareholder, which he was, to

ay something.

Mr Morris engaged in some close consultation with his fellow directors, and this was interrupted by a shareholder at the front of the room who suggested that the meeting should be closed and that enyone who cared to could remain behind to hear what Mr Johnson had to say. Mr Morris promptly closed the meet-ig, and went into a huddle with Mr ing, and went into a huddle with Mr Johnson, who then took the microphone

to address a half-empty room.

It transpired that all he intended to do was to pass on a message from his brother. It was: "Lennie and Jim have the ability to run this show, and I hope they will get the same support from the management brokers, bankers and the press that I have enjoyed."

Mr Joel Johnson added: "I know

Neville better than anyone here and I have no reason at all to doubt the sincerity of those remarks. I think it would be wrong to let this opportunity pass without at least recording some thanks for the 15 years of total dedication and work that he has put into the Kitchen Chiese aroun. work that he has put into the kitchen Queen group.

"I know the Lennie and Jim undoubtedly have the ability to take this company to even greater success. I believe they have the will. I think none of us has anything to worry about. That is all I propose to say". It was in fact all anyme proposed to say.

one proposed to say. R. W. Shakespeare

Business appointments

Shell UK names four new directors

Lord Cledwyn of Penbros has been appointed a director of sales and marketing (United Kingdom).

Shell UK Mr Brian Bowden, Shell UK Oil's director of marketing; Mr Owen Heald, Shell UK Oil's director of manufacturing supply and trading; and Mr George Howd, marketing director of Shell Chemicals UK have also been appointed directors.

Mr Peter Faure has been director of The Savoy Hotel. appointed directors,
Mr Peter Faure has been
appointed the independent Broadcasting Authority's head of radio
finance.
Mr C. Alan McLiutock has been

Mr C. Alan McLintock has been made vice-chairman of the Woolwich Equitable Building Society in succession to Mr Arthur D. Chesterfield, who remains on the board.

Mr Chris Smart becomes marketing director and Mr Frank Moore agricultural advisor and director of Howard Rotavator.

Mr John D. Cunningham has been appointed marketing director of the Mars.

Mr Christopher Bliss is now a director of General Funds Investment Trust. ment Trust.

Mr David E. Tagg has been mr David E. Tagg has been appointed personnel and administration director of Watney Manus and Truman Brewers.

Mr John Puddifoot has been appointed company secretary of Simon Engineering.

Mr S. Bradshaw-Mack has been made a director of KCA laternational. made a director of KCA Intermational.

Mr E. A. Crosby has been elected by the board of Crosby Spring
interiors to the new office of
president. Sir Ralph Bateman has
joined the board.

Mr Regis Vey has joined the
board of Gerrard Industries. Mr
Alan Gill becomes director of
manufacturing and Mr John Arthur

ted a director of The Savoy Hotel, Mr Teddy Tsylor has joined the board of Ansvar Insurance. Mr Peter McGuigan has been

Mr Peter McGuigan has been appointed floancial director of Harold Wesley.

Mr R. Farrar, a director of the Birmingham district of Barciays Bank, has been made chairman of the Birmingham board of Barciays Merchant Bank on the retirement of Mr K. Bridgewater. Mr Join Harvey has been appointed a director of Bain Dawes (Western).
Mr David A. Watts joins the board of S. P. Gears & instrumentation.

board of S. P. Gears & Instrumentation.

Mr P. J. Horrell has been appointed group treasurer and company secretary of Erown Brothers Corporation.

Lord McGregor of Durris is to be the now chairman of the Advertising Standards Authority, succeeding Lord Thomson of Monifieth who is to become deputy chairman and chairman-designate of the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

Authority.

Mr Charles N. Taylor, marketing director of Tioxide Group, has been made made director (operations). (operations).
Mr Alan R. Knight has been appointed personnel director of Mardon Son & Hall on the retirement of Mr C. S. N. Tomlin.
Mr Desound Mann joins the board of the Pazo Company and

will succeed Mr Geoffrey Robinas managing director from Mr J. M. Harper has been ap-

pointed managing director-designate of BAJ Vickers. Mr M. A.

Bowen, the company secretary, and Mr A. C. Johnson, chief engineer, also join the board. Mr. R. Enticott becomes a non-executive director in place of Mr R. V. Jones. Shareholders have elected Mr F. R. Alexander, managing director of James Richardson &

Sons Overseas president of the Grain and Feed Trades Association. Mr J. M. McKean, managing director of Thos Borthwick (Glasgow) will become deputy president. Mr L. J. Wright, director of Pauls & Sanders is now UK vice-president and Mr A. C. Braakenburg, of Pell Nederland BV is European vice-Nederland BV is European vicepresident.

retires. Mr J. J. Howard is to succeed Mr K. M. Bevins as chief general manager of Royal Insurance. Mr Bevins remains a member of the board.

been appointed to the board of Robert Fleming. Walter Lawrence (East Anglia) has appointed Mr Nigel Chambers a director of the company.

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The Over-

Mr C. D. Woodward who will succeed Mr N. C. Strother Smith as director of the Fire Protec-tion Association will take up his new duties in September this year when Mr Strother Smith retires.

A former director of Jardine Fleming & Co, Hongkong, the Hon James H. M. Bruce, has

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Rates

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Western Deep.

Profits at Western Deep Levels, a gold mine in the Anglo American group and one of the most highly geared in South Africa, shot up by 58 per cent to R61.8m (£34.3m) on

the back of record gold prices. The average gold price received at the mine rose from \$317.6 an ounce in the September quarter to \$100 more in the

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BCCI Bank 17%
Consolidated Crdts 17%
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Williams and Glyn's

Wall Street

New York, Jan 17.—Stock prices eased in late afternoon trading on moderate profit taking. Declining issues led advances at the bell by 715 to 578, with 285 unchanged.

The Dow Jones industrial average was off 1.62 to 863.57. It had been up more than four points at its best.

New York Stock Exchange valume dropped to 54,170,000 shares from yesterday's second-highest total of 67,700,000.

Precius metals stocks surged again as gold bullion prices topped \$800.

Gold tops \$800

New York, Jan 17.—Gold prices rate sharply above SRIO on leavy Littled Sides Commission House and loreign buying. Commission House buy orders are flooding the tradition foor—one trader said Gold closed at \$700.00 per 100 ding the tradition of SECO. MY COMER.—Jan. \$707.30 \$806.00 per \$709.50 feb. 5709.50 June. \$804.80 June. June. \$805.00 June. \$805.00 June. \$809.50 June. \$805.00 June. \$809.50 June. \$ Gold tops \$800

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ALUMINAUM was sloady, Afternoon,— Cash, 2915-16 per metric ton; turge

Discount

Money was short yet again in Lombard Street yesterday and the authorities gave a large amount of assistance to relieve the shortage. The Bank of England bought a small amount of Ireasury bills and a small amount of local authority bills, all direct from the houses, and a large amount of eligible bank bills for resale at a future date. In addition, they lent a small amount to two or timee houses overnight at MLR.

Most of the day the rate for sources overmost at Mark.

Most of the day the rate for secured money was at 17 per cent sithough some money was taken at 164 per cent during the afternoon and the close was quoted at 16-164 per cent.

The main factor against the

16-16; per cent.

The main factor against the market was an excess of transfers to the Revenue over disbursements, described as large, repayments of Wednesday's loans and a small net Treasury bill take-up. On the other side there were moderate belances brought forward and a small decrease in the note circulation.

Money Market Rates Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 17% (Last changed 15/11/79)

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Foreign exchange report

Down to 2.2550 early, partly reflecting profit-taking behind moves to escalate the steel strike and Wednesday's sharply higher United Kingdom wages indices, the pound soon steadled yesterday with the aid, dealers believed of modest 1.723 (1.7215), Swiss franc 1.58975 closed very firm at 2.2770 (overnight 2.2680).

On the trade-weighted basis, (previously 238.00).

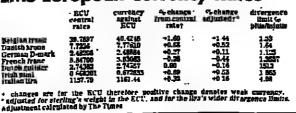
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Sterling: Other Markets



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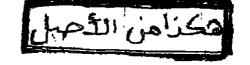
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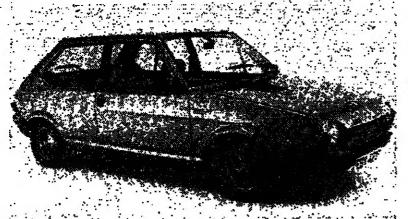
Motoring

How to curb danger from farm trailers

My recent piece on the possible safety hazard presented by agricultural trailers not carrying direction indicator lights has produced strong reactions and it appears that the anxiety about unlit trailers may be widely shared.

The item was prompted by the experience of a reader who was driving along a country road behind a trailer being towed by a tractor. Thinking the way ahead was clear, he pulled out to overtake but as he did so the tractor turned right and a collision was inevitable. My correspondent was unburt but faces a £400 bill for repairs to his car.

He argues that the accident would probably not have happened had the law required the tractor to fit indicator lights. The tractor did have such lights but the width of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the trailer made them impossible to see the control of the con from behind. It is doubtful whether hand signals by the tractor driver would have been visible either.



Lively small hatchback-the Fiat Strada

tractor turned right without visible warning. The machine was wrecked and the girl suffered a broken kneecap.

Mr Geoffrey Perrott, from Ross-on-Wye, tells of a similar accident involving his son, who was badly injured. Mr Perront says tractors and trailers are often encountered the rural roads in his area and he gives several reasons why he considers them a hazard.

One is that a slow-moving tractor

can misjudge the relative speed of other traffic. Secondly, narrow country lanes prevent a tractor from indicating its intentions by its posi-tion on the road. A tractor can

Support for a change in the law comes from Professor P. J. Yarrow, of Newcastle upon Tyne University. His daughter, riding a motor cycle behind a tractor and trailer, had also started to overtake when the recalled by Mr Kenneth Strachan, the standard of the strachan to recall the standard of the stand from Banchory, Kincardineshire, who suggests that trailers could be fitted with temporary lighting boards in the same way as caravans. Failing that, tractors could have lighting boards so wide that they always

cleared the trailer.

Mr Nigel Earle, a farmer from Sywell, Northampton, does use lighting boards on his trailers, which are 6ft 6in wide, with rear, stop and indicator lights, reflective triangles and the space for number plates. But he says that the boards are not easy to fix and he points out that neither tractor indicators nor their bulbs appear to he standardized and that spares can be difficult to find.

He favours the American system of having twin orange high intensity lights fore and aft on the roof of the tractor cab which can be used either as direction indicators or as warning lights. He says such lights should be instantly visible from behind, though not, I would have thought, if the trailer had a very high load.

Mr Earle also has an accident to recount, though one for which he firmly blames the motorist concerned. He says: "Being rather old. I can remember being ordered to keep a good distance from any vehicle in front and to pull our in good time before overtaking."

The official attitude is not dissimilar. The Department of Transport says the onus is on the motorist to take special care when encountering agricultural vehicles on ne road. Both Miss Yarrow and Mr Perrott had to face court proceed ings. Miss Yarrow was acquitted of dangerous driving but Mr Perrott, who covers 20,000 miles a year on a motor cycle and had a clean record, was fined and had his licence endorsed.

Tractors are also exempt from having to fit direction indicators, though the Government is considering a European Community directive suggesting they should be mandatory. The proposal will be put out to consultation shortly and it would seem a good opportunity to sound opinion on trailer lights as

Road test: Fiat Strada

The small front-wheel drive hatchback market is becoming increas-ingly crowded and difficult to

appraise. The Strada's rivals already include the Talbot Horizon, Volkswagen Golf, Renault 14, Colt 1400 from Japan and the latest Opel Kadett soon to appear with a Vauxhall badge as the Astra. There is also the Car of the Year, the Lancia Deka, from Fiar's own stable and using the Strada's engines, and to come in the autumn, the Ford Escort replace-

It is a baffling choice for the customer, particularly as all these cars (I cannot yet speak for the Ford) have considerable merir and no one is obviously superior to the rest. The balance of advantage is year fine and in the end the decivery fine and in the end the decision will probably have to be made on taste—or prejudice.

The Strada strikes me as a very competent car which does most things adequately but has no outstanding features; it therefore lacks a little in character. Fiat models have traditionally been designed for the sort of motorist, found in abundance in Italy, who likes to drive hard and values performance and handling over comfort and refinement. The Strada is more of compromise, but a not unsuccessful one.

ressful one.

For example, that throaty engine roar that still characterizes the more sporting Fiars has been virtually eliminated and the Strada's unit is noticeably smooth and generally quiet. With the car's aerodynamic wedge shape minimizing wind noise, it is as enjoyable to cruise on the motorway as to drive in town. Again, the ride is softer than on some previous Fiats. softer than on some previous Flats, thanks to longer travel on the allindependent suspension, though it

does not come up to the standard of the best French cars. These improvements have not been achieved at the expense of established Fiat virtues of perform-

ance and handling. The Strada comes in two engine sizes, 1300 and 1500, aluminium headed overhead camshaft units, which both give lively acceleration for their class. The 1500, which I have been driving the strangery and reaching the strangery and reaching the strangery and the str The 1500, which I have been driving; is particularly nippy, reaching 60 mph from rest in about 13 second and with a claimed maximum speed of 99 mph. There is good flexibility, except that it is usually necessary to drop down from top fifth (a five-speed box is standard on this model) when overtaking.

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The softer suspension means that handling is less crisp but Fiar buffs will not have much to complain about. The car corners with little roll and controllable understeer and if the tyres squeal under hard cornering, they provide excellent grip.

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be smoother.

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Even using the fifth gear I did not better 31 mpg on the open road, while in town I dropped to 25 mpg, both figures being rather below average for the size of car.

People who have been put off Italian cars by their curious driving position will be interested to know that the Strada does not require its drivers to be built like gorillas, with very long arms and short legs. Legroom is good, back and front, though tall rear passengers may have to tall rear passengers may have to duck a shade to avoid brushing the roof. An already generous boot (the spare wheel is housed under the bonnet) can be greatly extended

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10.45 Story: Nine of Swords.

11.05 Disturbing the Universe.

11.50 Bird of the Week.

12.02 pm You and Yours

1.00 The World at One, 1.40 The Archers, 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour,

12.27 My Music.†

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Frederica von Stade, the American opera singer, in the filmed portrait Call Me Flicka (BBC 2, 8.00)

WINE Three things conspire to make Frederica von Stade, the American mezzo-soprano, an ideal subject for a television feature. She has a magnificent voice. She is a lovely woman. And, when the talks about her calling, she does it with an intelligence that a refreshingly laced with a sense of fun. All three of these gifts refully exploited in Herbert Chappell's profile Call Me Flicka (BBC 2, 8.00), a timely example of programme scheduling as Viss von Stade opens at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, ि भारत an Monday night in Massanet's Werther, the Houston Grand hers production of which is generously quoted from in Mr "Some happell's film. As well as the Massanet, we hear arias from The £200 Harriage of Figaro (with the soprano as an al fresco, visco herambulating Cherubino), the Barber of Seville and—in a y seramonating the bolivable shades of green—several " of Canteloube's Songs from the Auvergne, which I have never seard better sung. Sir Geraint Evans puts his imprimatur on

An Eye for a Bird, the title of tonight's film in the In the Welling ountry series (BBC 2, 7.30) sounds a bit like a cruel joke. The man it is about, the renowned bird photographer Eric Hosking, as only one optic; he lost the other when a tawny own attacked im in 1937. But Mr Hosking is not the sort of man to let a intle set-back like that defeat him, and we must assume that the itle carries his sanction. "In photography, you only use one ve anyway, so it saves me closing the other one", he shilosophises. Tonight, Angela Rippon watches Mr Hosking at sork, on the mudflats of the Wirral peninsula.

he film and Miss van Stade's talents by supplying the narration.

The Hi-Fi Theatre presentation of The Devils (Radin 4, 3.02, The Hi-Fi Theatre presentation of The Devils (Kagus 4, 2, 2, 2, 1) If hit a repeat next Monday at 7.45) is not a radio adaptation of names be grotesquely overdone Ken Russell film version in which a liver Reed, as the sensualist priest, went spectacularly over the op, but the John Whiting stage play, based in turn on the idons Huxley book. Today's Father Grandier is Michael to the print who can be trusted to been a firm erin both on himself adons muxiey book. I busy's rather of annue. Is not himself ityant, who can be trusted to keep a firm grip both on himself ad the role, and Sarab Badel plays the nun who brings about his awnfall. She was played, eye poppingly, in the film by Vanessa ==edgrave, Martin Jenkins directs today's play.

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4.50 Tarran, Lord of the Jungle: carmon. Tarran and the Golden

Lion (r). 5.10 Grange Hill: serial about a

BBC 1

9.05 am For Schools, Colleges ; Treffpunkt: Deutschland; 9.25 Athlete (sprints); 9.52 Look and Read; 10.15 Maths-in-a-Box (Strange Visitor: 1); 10.35 Going to Work; 11.00 Hyn o Fyd (The Fox), 11.25 You and Me : For very young In. 3 You all the For very young caldren. I want to Help (r). 11.40 For Schools, Colleges: Every-day Maths; 12.05 pm Your Own Business. Close down at 12.30. 12.45 News and weather.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One: lan Lyon praises the holiday possibilities offered by Scarborough, and Peter Seabrook is hard at work in the Pebbje Mill garden. 1.45 Mister Men: The story of Mr Chatterbox and Mr Topsy-Turvy (27).
2.02 For Schools, Colleges: Scene (Salvation Army); 2.35 A Good Job with Prospects (British Industry). Close down at 3.00.
3.20 Pobol y Cwm: serial in

Welch.
3.55 Play School: Meera Taneja's story A First Day in Delhi.
4.20 The Nitwits: The story of Earthquake McBash (r).
4.35 Jackanory: Michael Troughton concludes his readings from Joan Tate's thriller See How They Run.

BBC 2 11.00 am Play School: Same av BBC 1, 3.55 pm. Closedown at 11.25 am. 5.40 pm Flash Gordon Conquers

the Universe: Final episode of this old cinema serial. Doom of the Dictator.* 6.00 Tex Avery Cartoon: Blitz Wolf, 6.10 Monkey: Japanese-made Chinese fantasy. Tonight: the defeat of the drough: demon. 6.55 Della Smith's Cookery
Course: Cheap, and easy, ways to
make gingernuts, whole out crumchies, cheese scopes and crumpets,
7.20 News: with sub-titles for the

hard of hearing.
7.30 in the Country: Angela Rippon visits Eric Hosking, perhaps the world's best phorographer of birds. Now 70, he left for the Antarctic immediately after mak-

9.30 am For Schools; Botanic Man (Ecuador forests); 9.57 Stop, Look, Listen; 10.10 Work; 10.27

It's Your Future (pop groups and dustmen); 10.48 Writers' Work-

shop; 11.10 Reading with Lenny; 11.22 Leapfrog (mathematics);

12.30 Simply Sewing: How to make your own dressees. Leila

1.00 News: with Peter Sissons, 1.20 Thames News: with Robin Hous-

1.30 Crown Court: The serdict in

the case of the two football faits accused of murdering a detective

11.38 Believe it or Not.

11.55 Cartoontime.

Aitken is the expert.

THAMES

ing tonight's film—his first visit to that part of the world. Mys Rip-pon joins Mr Hosking on the mud-flats of the Wirral peninsula, watches him at his work and tries her hand at photography (see Personal Choice).

8.00 Call Me Flicka: A portrait of the American opera-singer Frederica von Stade, filmed in France, England and America (see Per-

comedy series, with John Alderton and Hannah Gordon, Tonight; im-pending fatherhood (r).

England and America (see Personal Choice).

9.00 Pot Black 80: Third programme in the new series. John Spencer, three times world championship winner, plays Dennis Taylor, the beaten funalist in the 1973 and 1976 Pot Black compensions. He was beaten by Terry Criftithe in the 1971 World

because of his daughter. South Pacific nonsens:, complete with typhoon, earthquake and a crocodile grand finale. With Dorothy Lamour in a sarong. Ray Milland, and that dry comedian Lynne Oserman. 4.15 The Flockton Flyet: Stortes of

a privately-run rallway. Today: pipsies are the cause of some trouble. 12.00 Song Book: The children are encouraged to join in.
12.10 pm Once Upon a Time: Peter Davison tells the story of The Magic Porridge Pot. Puppet show. trouble.

4.45 Magpie: How a recorded song, written by their trainer, is helping a jurior football team from Essex to win all their games. Also an inquiry into earthquakes, and News Desk..

5.15 Emmerdale Farm: The countryside serial.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News.

6.30 Thames Sport: Ronald Allison presents this fast-moving survey, and Brough Scott reviews the racing prospects for the weekend.

ing prospects for the weekend.

(r).
2.00 After Noon Plus: Mavis
Nicholson presents two contrasted
stories about refugees—a Vietnamese family now settled in Northern Ireland and a Chilean actor London Weekend 7.00 The Muppet Show: With the American actress/singer/come-dienne Lola Falana. Gonzo accepts about a wife kidnapped by ter-rorists in Spain. With Walcolm Stoddard (Darwin in the 1978) series) and Mary Tamm (ex-Dr. Who metal. veries) and ... Who giel i. 19.10 Points of View: Barry Took

comprehensive school. Michael Doyle's election success. 5.35 The Perishers: Short comedy with Leonard Rossiter (r).
5.40 News: with Angela Rippon. answers viewers' letters. 10.15 Jack Benny: Repeat showing ; of one of his old American relevi-sion shows. 5.55 Nanonwide: with Desmond

10.45 Film: Where the Boys Are (1960). College students find romance in the holiday resert of manding viewing. Connie Francis's

Regions

S.S. Namonwide: with Desmond Lynam's Sportswide.
7.00 The superstars: The competing sportsmen move up to Scotland for the final men's heat. They are: Manchester United and Scotland striker Joe Jurdan, European hoxing champion Alau Minter, Rugby star J. J. Williams, weight-lifter Andy Drzewiecki, Wales's football captain Terry Yorath, Highland Games professional Grant Anderson, badminton international Mike Tredgett and busketball wizard Steve Assinder.
8.00 My Wife Next Door: Domestic comedy series, with John Alderton REGIONS

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8.30 Breakaway: Episode 2 of the new Francis Durbridge thriller.

Sam (Martin Jarvis) continues investigating a double murder.

9.00 News: with Peter Woods.

9.25 The Assassination Run: Final episode of Jack Gerson's thriller

buck parmer professionals Lee Trevno and Ben Crenshaw in the third programme in this new series which come from the King's course at Gleneagles Hotel in Scut-land, 10,15 Sacha: Sacha Distel, the French singing star, in the second of his new series. His guests tonight are The Great Gut'ars (Barney Kessel, Herb Ellis and Charlie Byrd) and the French sing-

er Sylvie Vartan.
10.55 News and weather.
11.10 Rollywood and Vine:
Fourth, and last, of the Scott Fitzgerald stories about Hollywood, read by John Thaw. This one is called A Man in the Way. 11,20 Friday Night . . . Saturin the final of the 1979 World Snooker Championship at Sheffield.

9,25 International Pro-Celebrity Goff: Eric Sykes and Jimmy Tar-

who would like to return but can't a movie contract—but it all falls 7.30 The Shah Speaks : Yorkshire Television "scoop" in which David Frost interviews the exiled Shah on the island fortress of Contadora, off Panama. 8.30 A Sharp Intake of Ereath: Comedy series with David Jason as the harassed husband, Tonight: his father-in-law (Richard Wilson)

comes to stay. comes to stay.

9.80 Best Sellers: Flesh and
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this American drama abour a
boxer (Tom Berenger) who has
roubles in and our of the ring.
Also starring John Cassavetes and
Suzanne Pleshette. Continues at
16.30. 10.00 News.

10.00 News.
10.30 Best Schers: Continued.
11.15 The London Programme: An investigation of the claim that some children in local authority care are being heavily drugged to control and even punish them.
12.00 George Ramilton IV: The American country and western investigation. ninger. 12.30 am Close: Rosalie Crutchley RADIO

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7.00 Ness 7.05 Records: Havdn. Mayr, 10.05 From Our Own Correspon-Fauré, Howelis, Dvorak.+ 8.05 Records; Wolf, Finzi, Bach, Delibes.†

9.00 News. 9.05 Gluck (Orien excerpts).†
10.00 String quartets (Prague):
Hayda (00 20 to 4), Prokofiev.†
10.45 In Short: talk. 10.55 Prague Ortet : Dvorak (op 11.36 Soprano, clarinet: Rossini,

Frahms, Turina.; 12.28 pm BBC Northern SO Lep-pard: Rolst, Tippett.; 1.08 News. 1.05 BBCNSO: Shostakovich (Sym 3.02 Play: The Devils, by John Whiting.7 The Arts Worldwide. 2.25 Records: Croatian music.† 3.25 Strings: Vivaldi.† 3.55 Comparing Notes.†

4.53 News.
5.00 Music for early evening.†
7.10 One Pair of Ears: Review.
7.25 Play It Again: preview.†
7.30 Chicago SO/Rozhdestvensky;
1ves (Sym 4).†
8.05 Reading (Ralph Richardson):
Notes on a Cellar Book, by George
Samstahury. Saintsbury. 8.25 CSO: Shostakovich (Pno Conc 11. Supple.†
9.00 Talk: Saints and Sanity. 9.30 Plano (Schiff); Haydn, Mendelssohn, Schumann.† 10.25 Tippert on his operas, 10.45 Music from India.†

6.50 am Regional news, weather, 7.50 Regional news, weather, 9.05-10.30 For Schools: Contact People at Work; Country Dancing; Nonce Board II; Music Workshop, 10.45-12.60 For Schools: A Corner for Music; Emploring Society; Radio 2 S.00 am News, weather, 5.04 Steve Jones.† 7.32 Terry Wogan.† 10.04 Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm Wag-goners' Walk. 12.30 Pete Murray.†

11.55-12.00 News.

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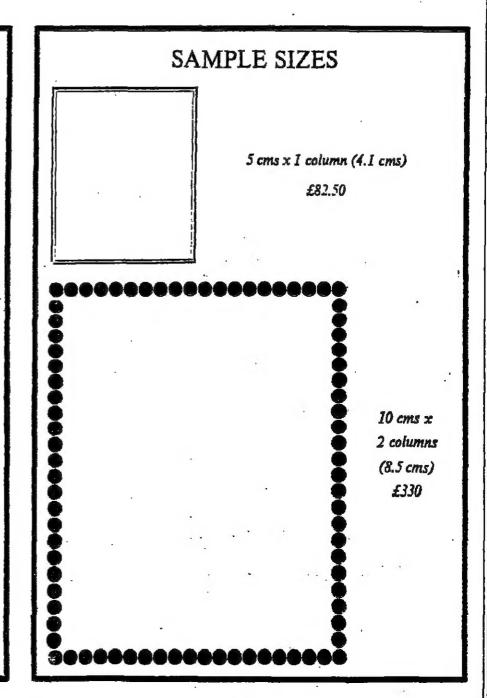
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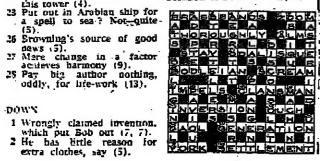
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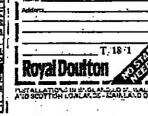
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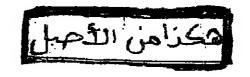
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